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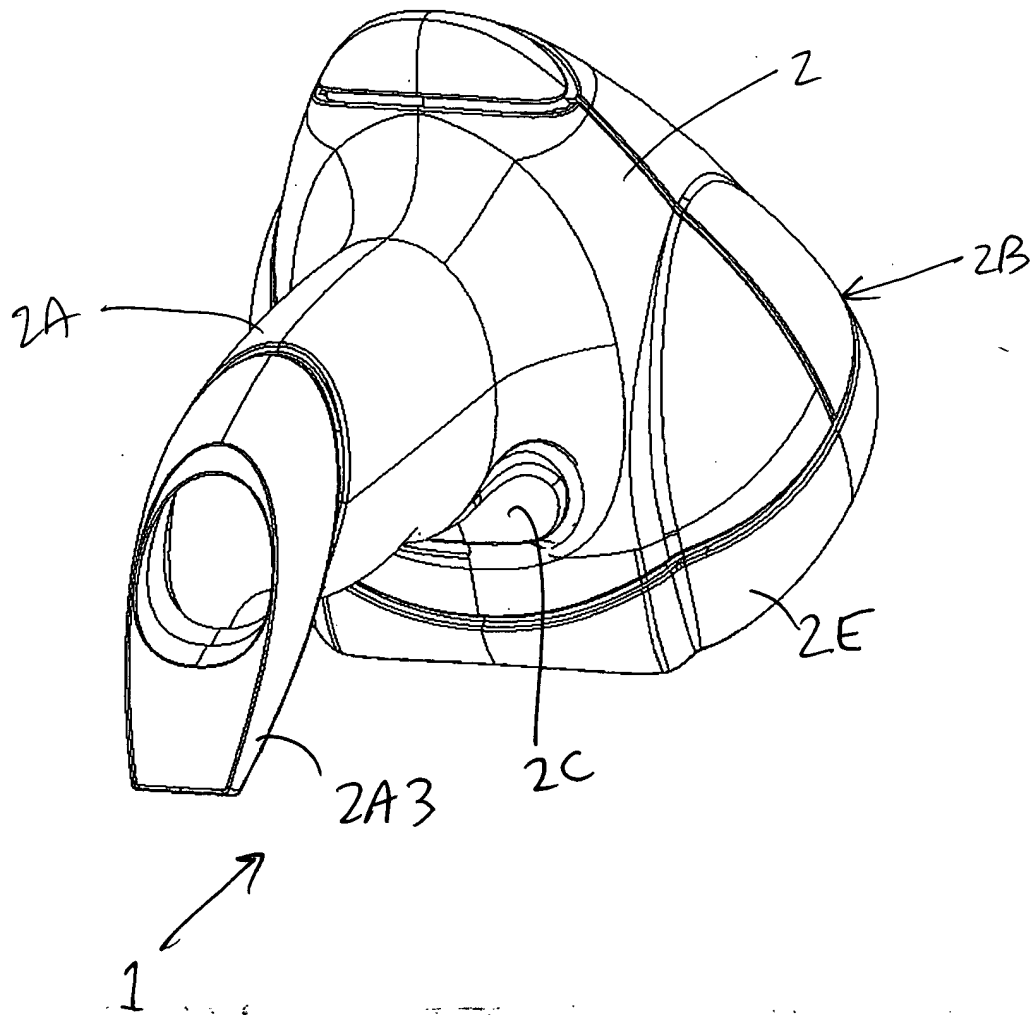
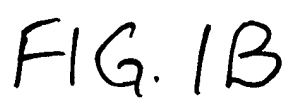


FIG. 1A

FIG. 1B



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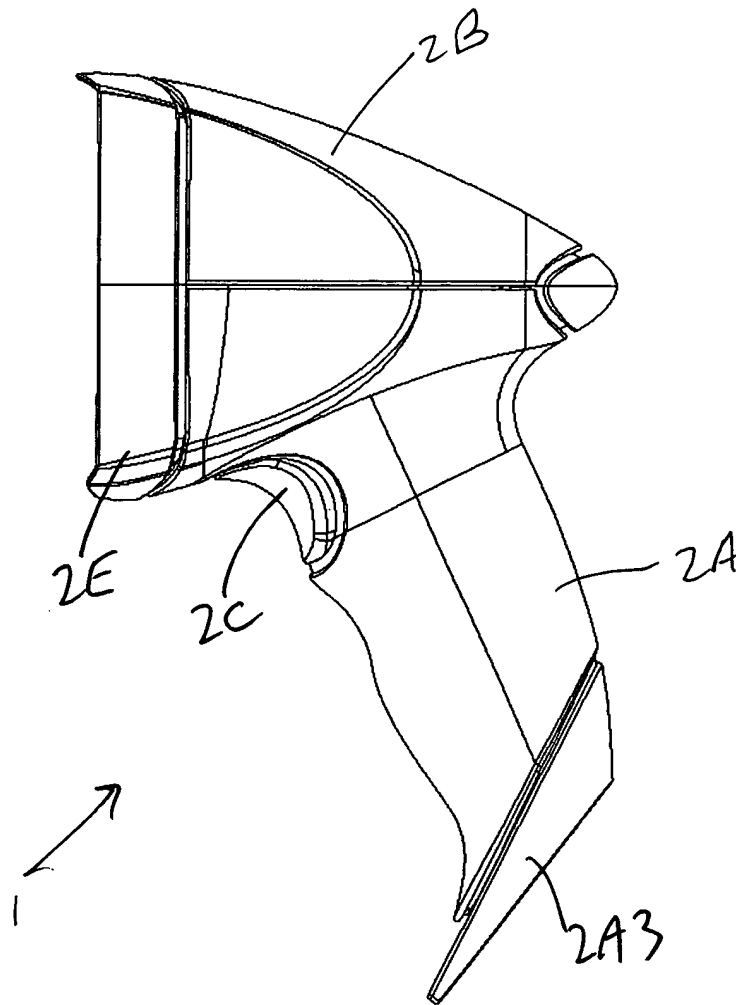


FIG. 1C

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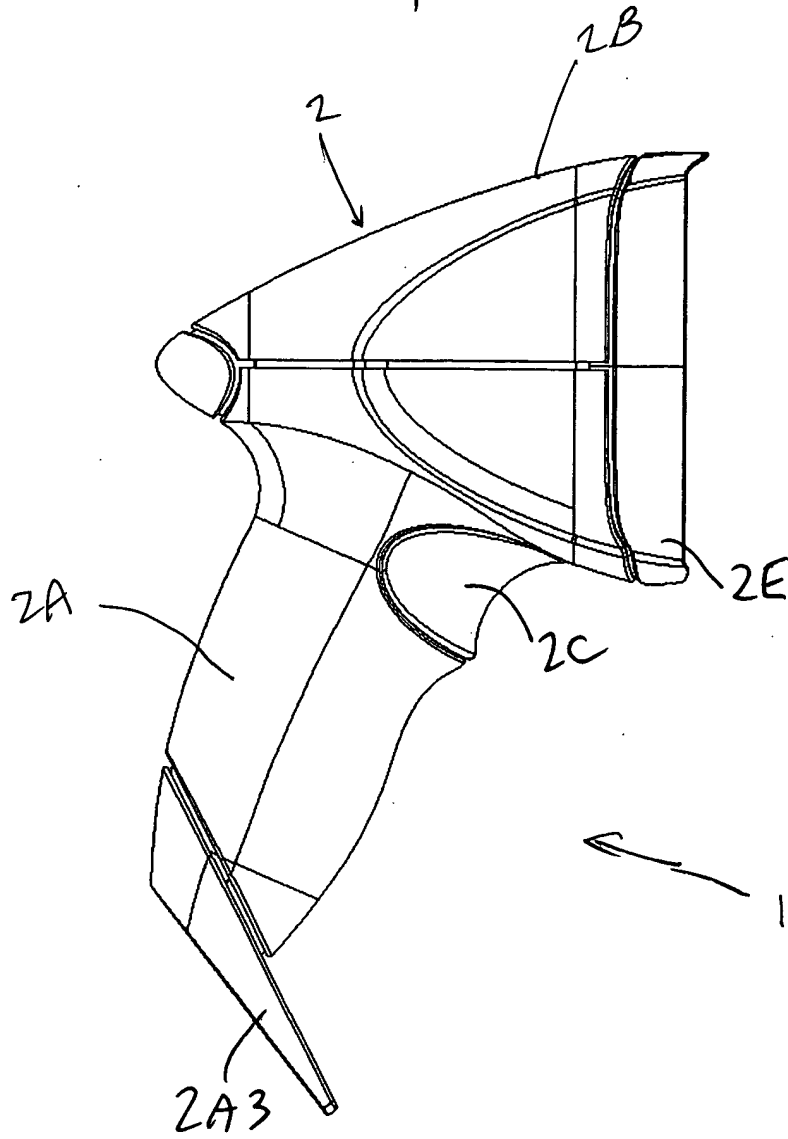


FIG. 1D

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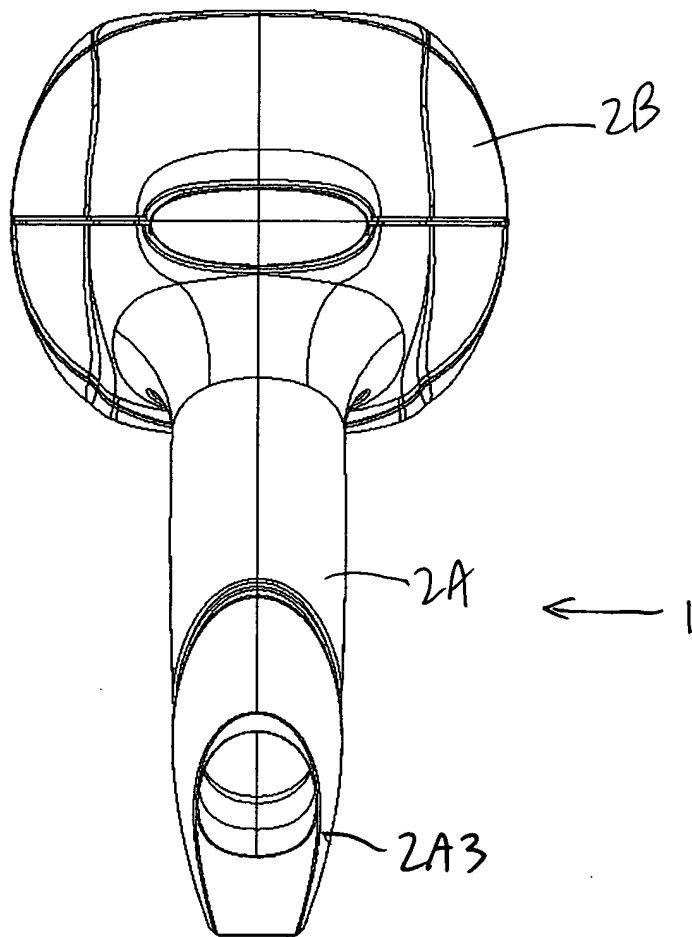


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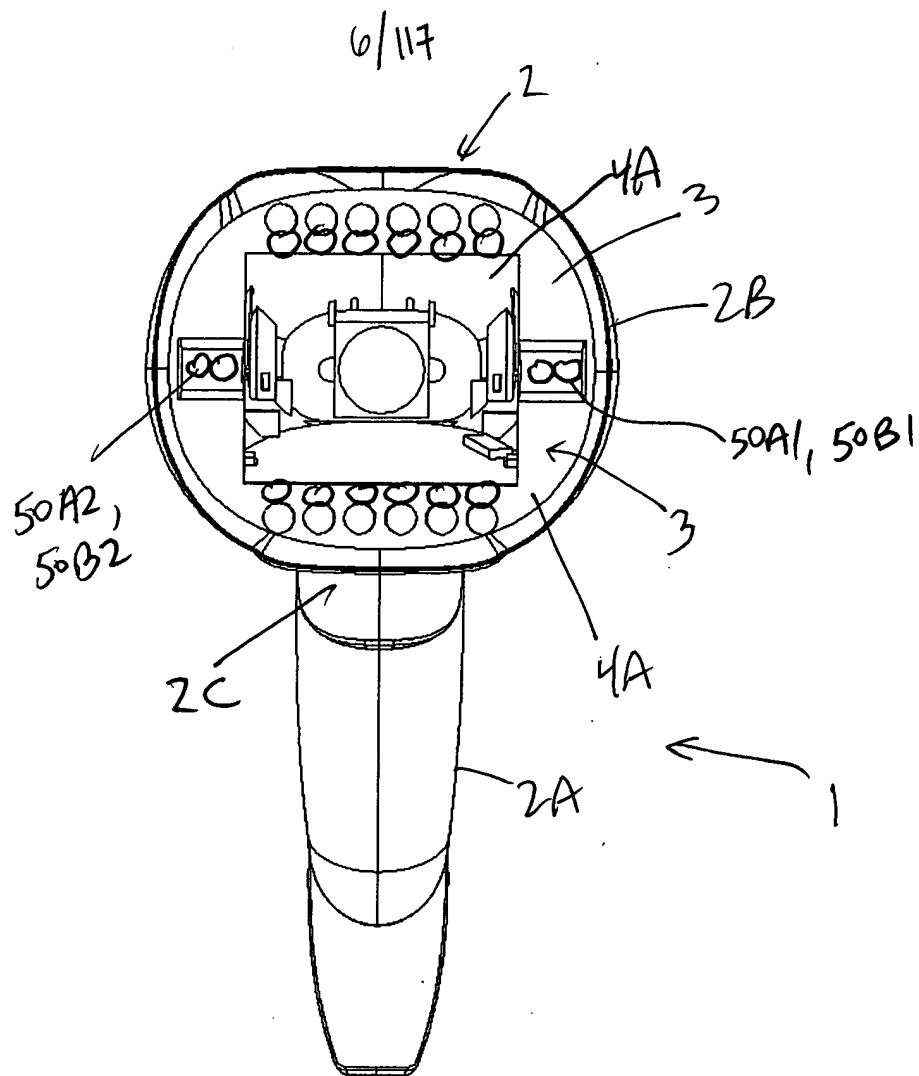


FIG. 1F

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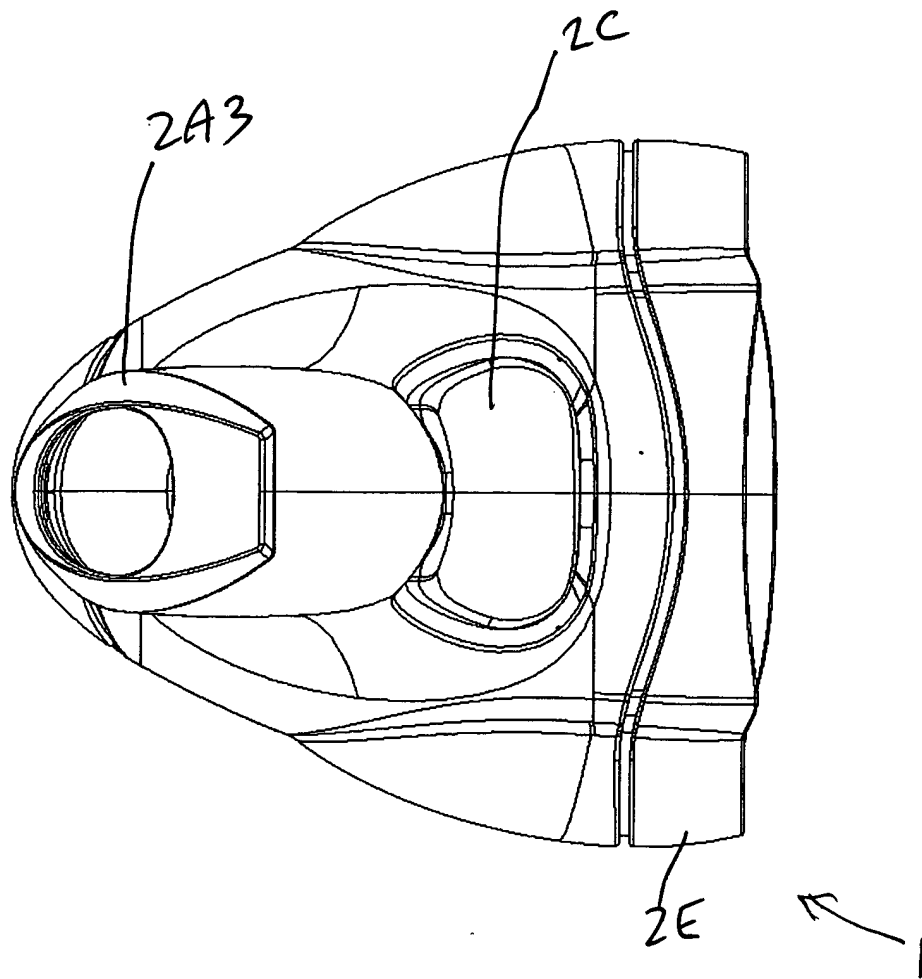


FIG. 1G

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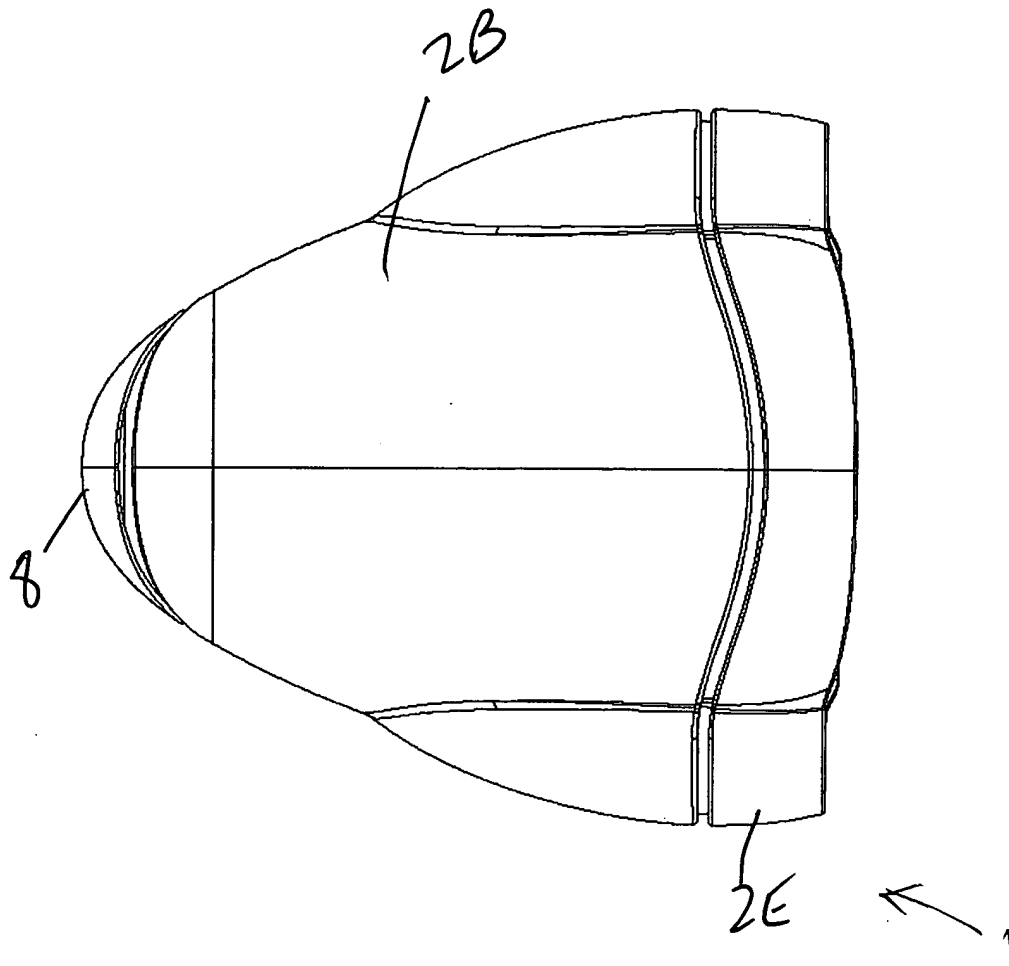


FIG. 1H

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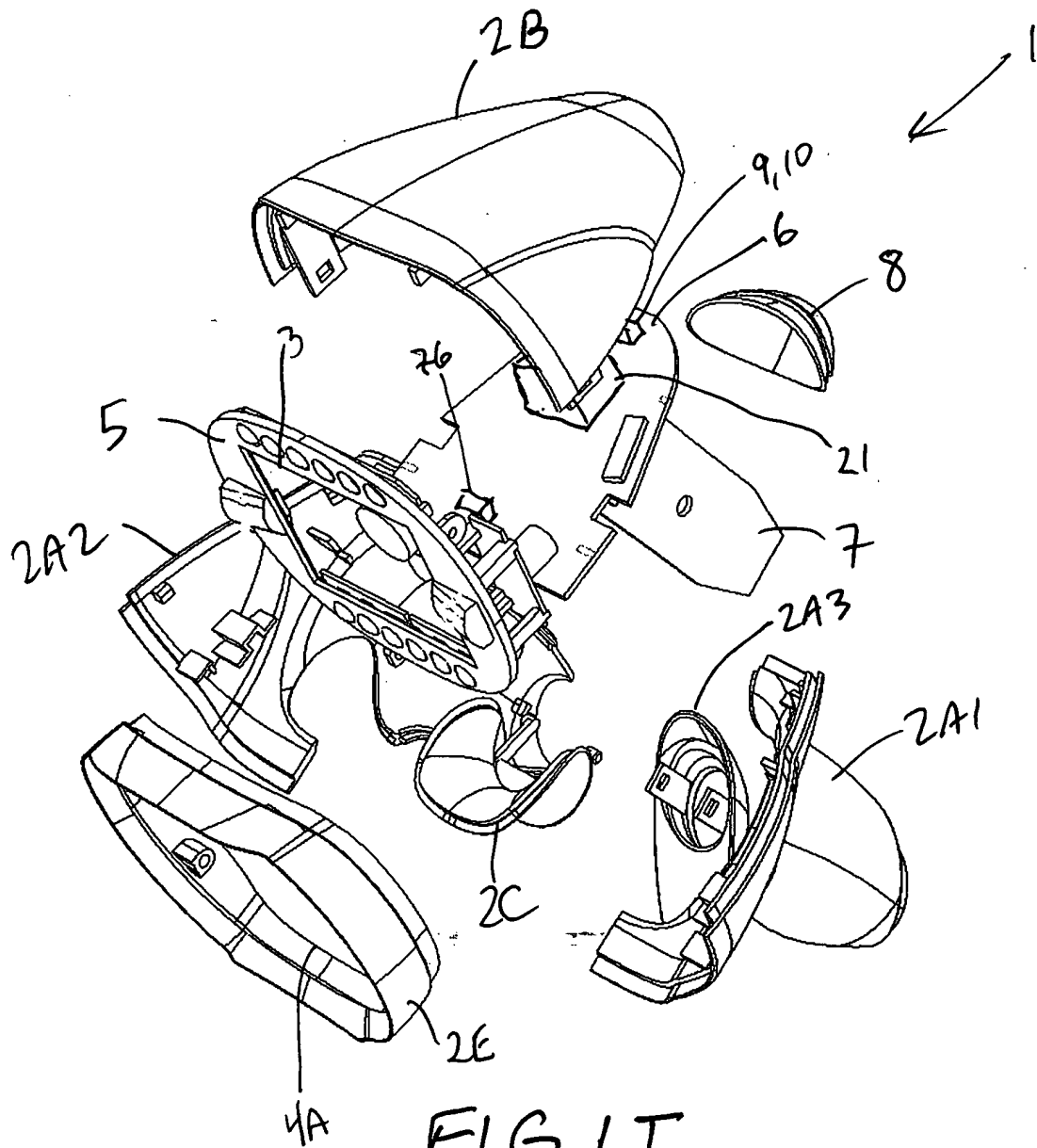


FIG. 1I

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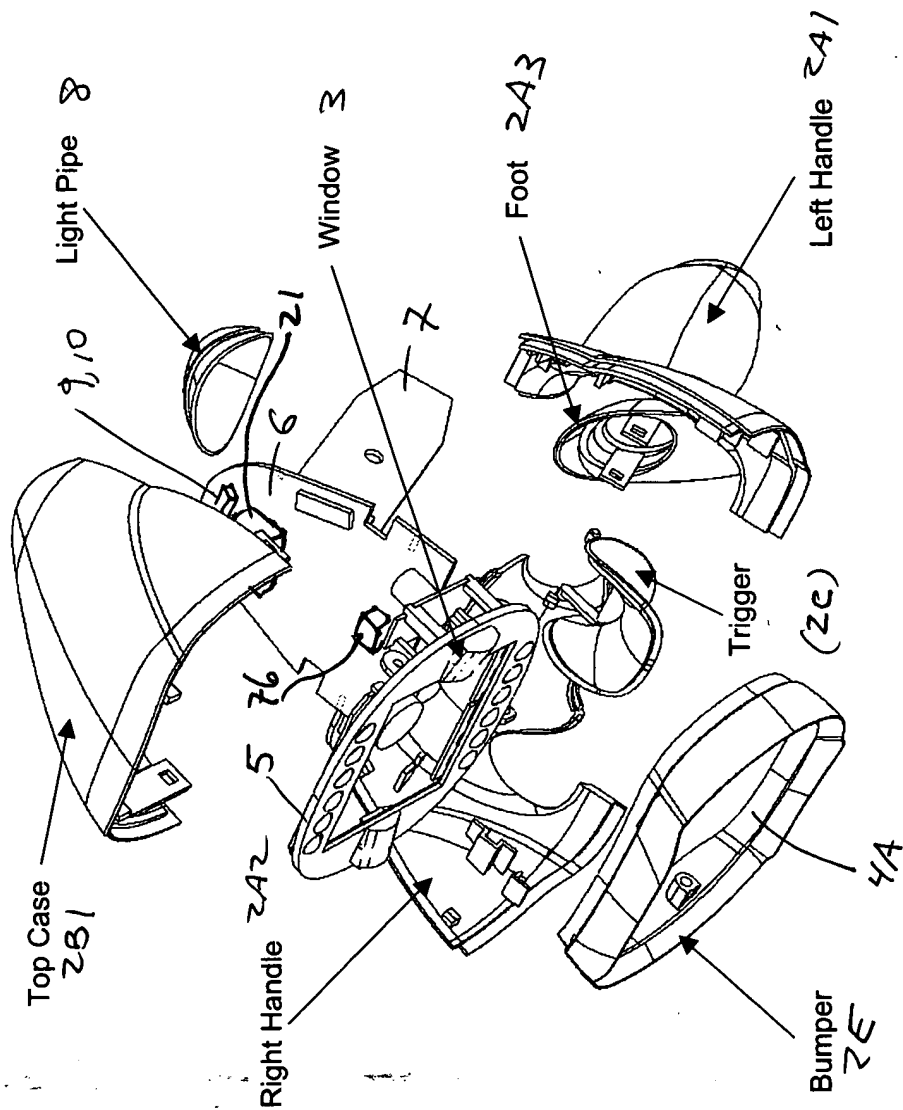


FIG. 1J

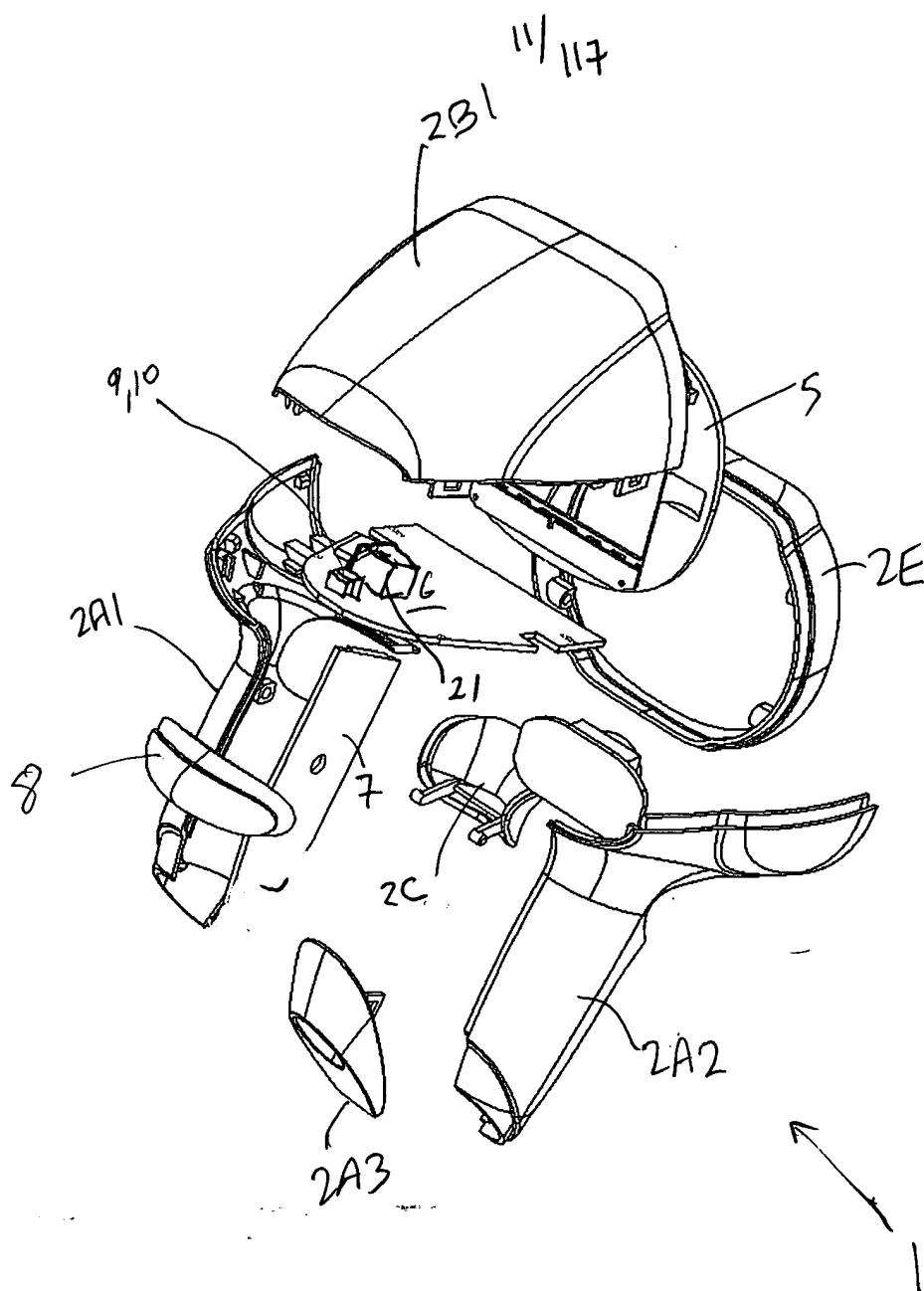


FIG. 1K

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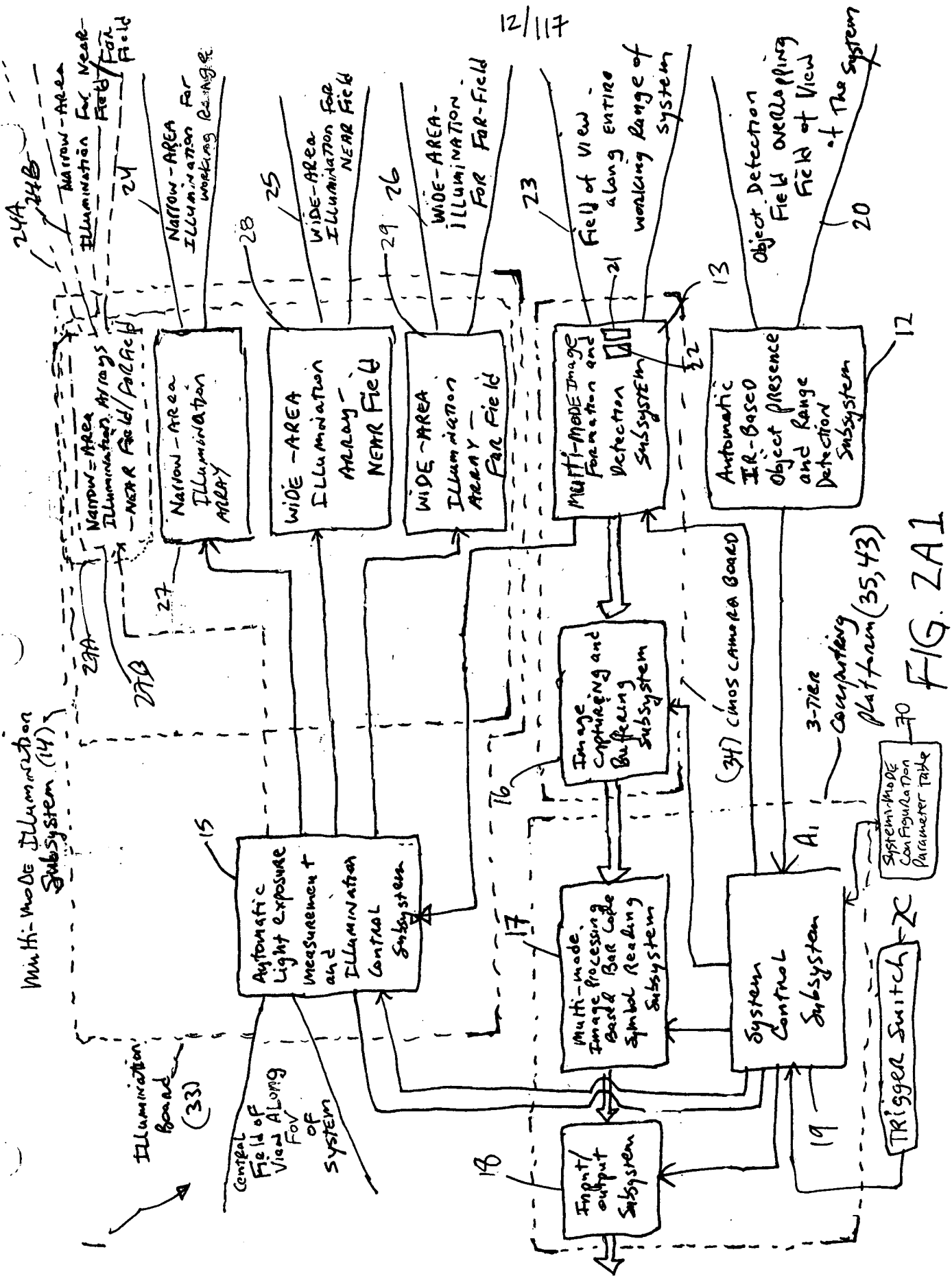


FIG. 2A1

Multi-Mode Image-Processing Based Bar Code Symbol Reading Subsystem

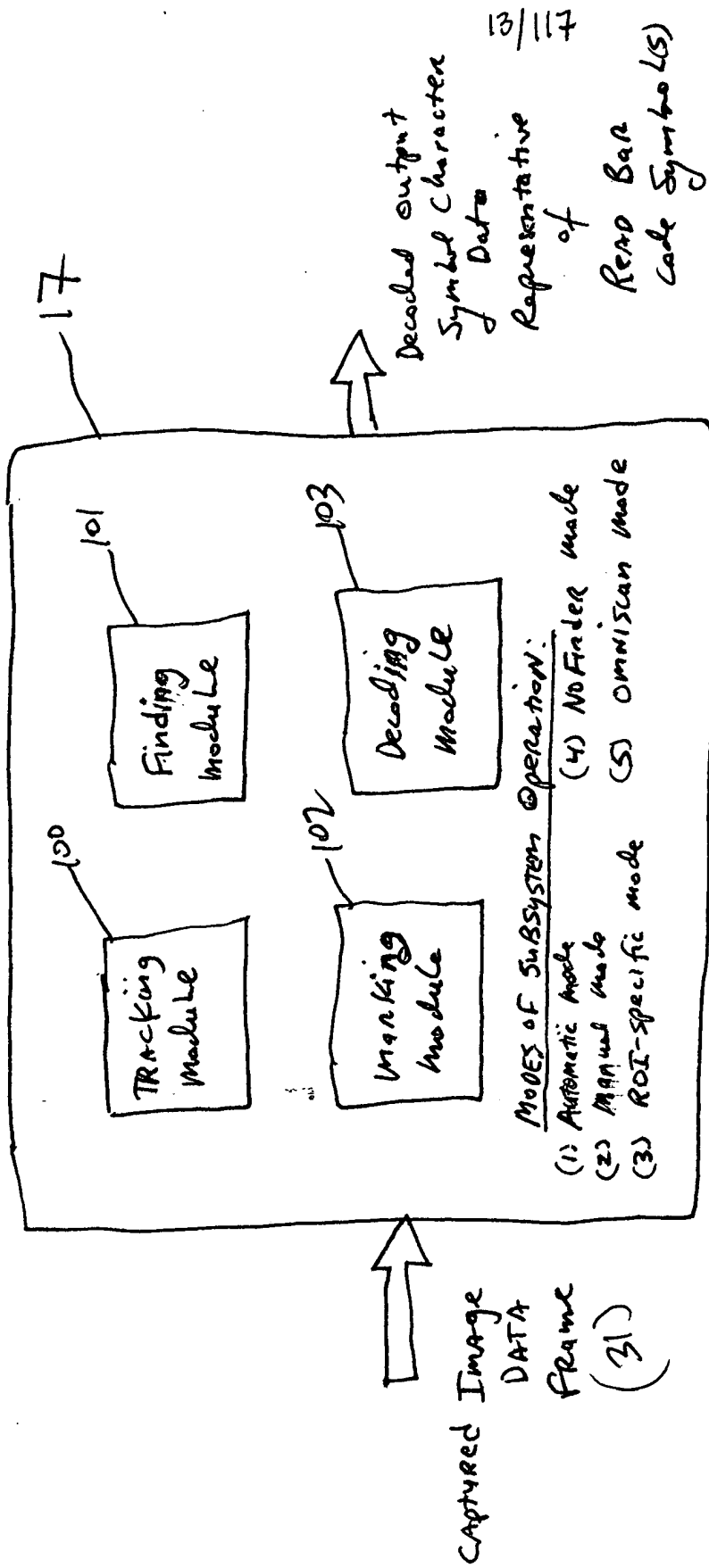


FIG. 2A2

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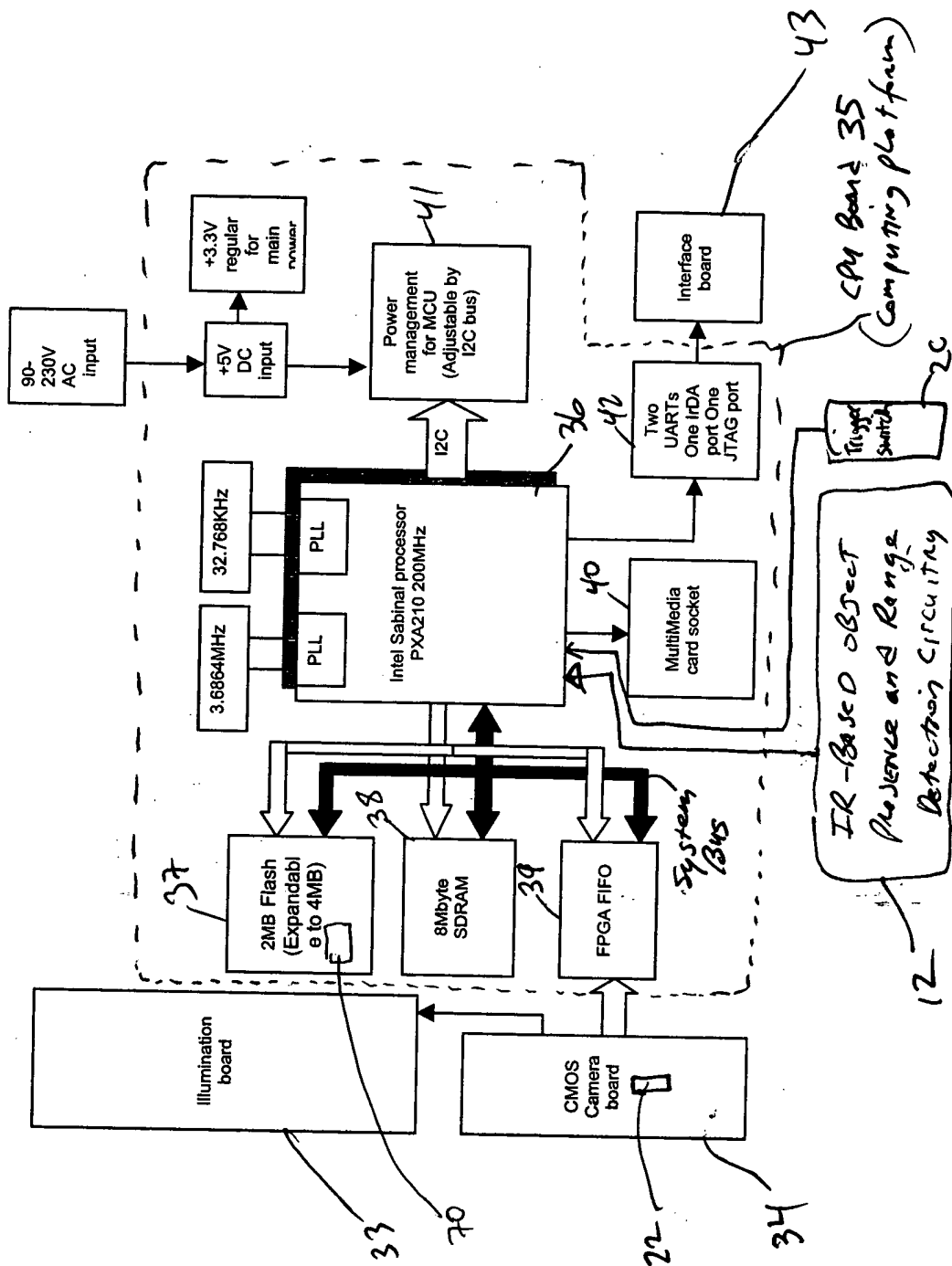


FIG. 2B

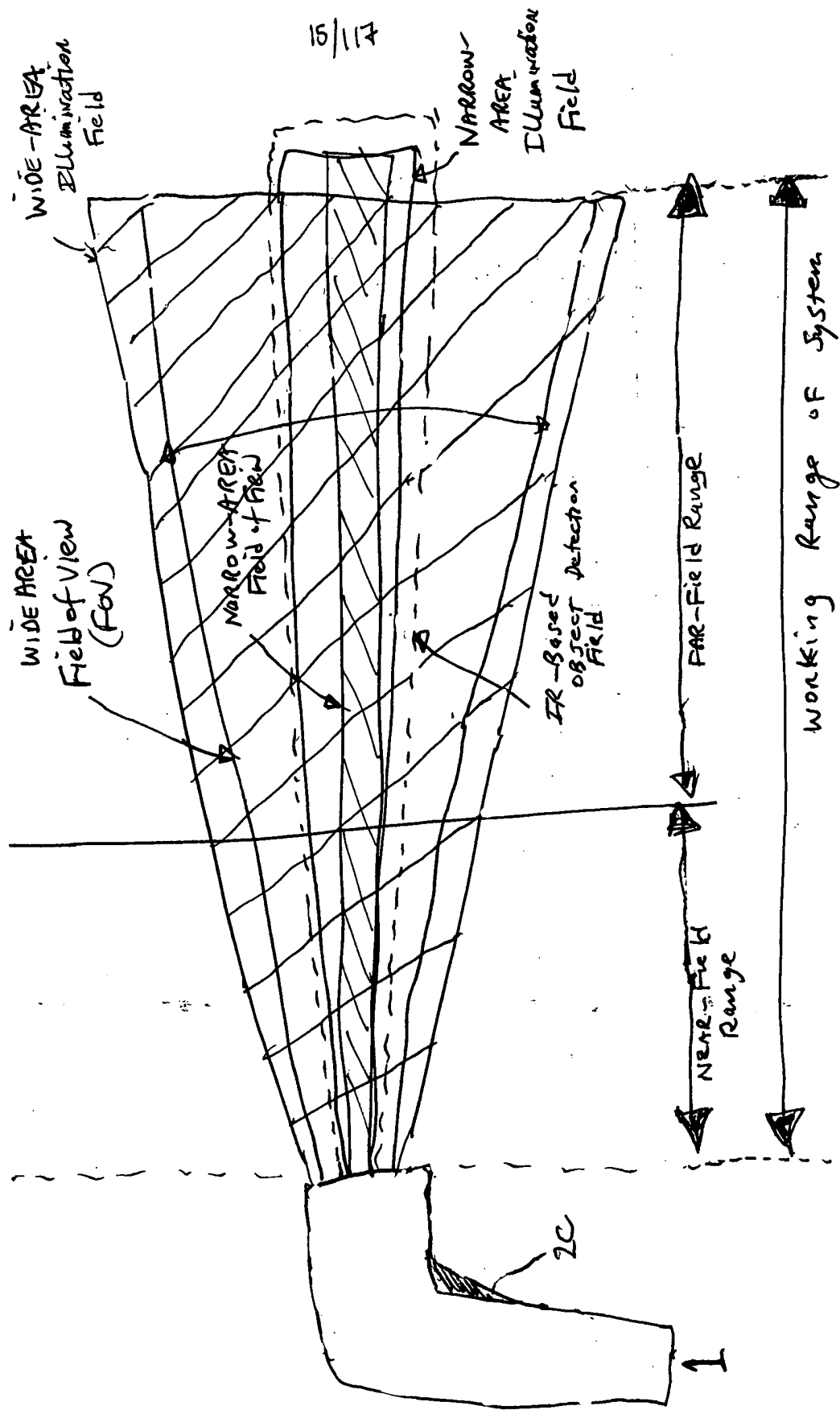


FIG- 3A

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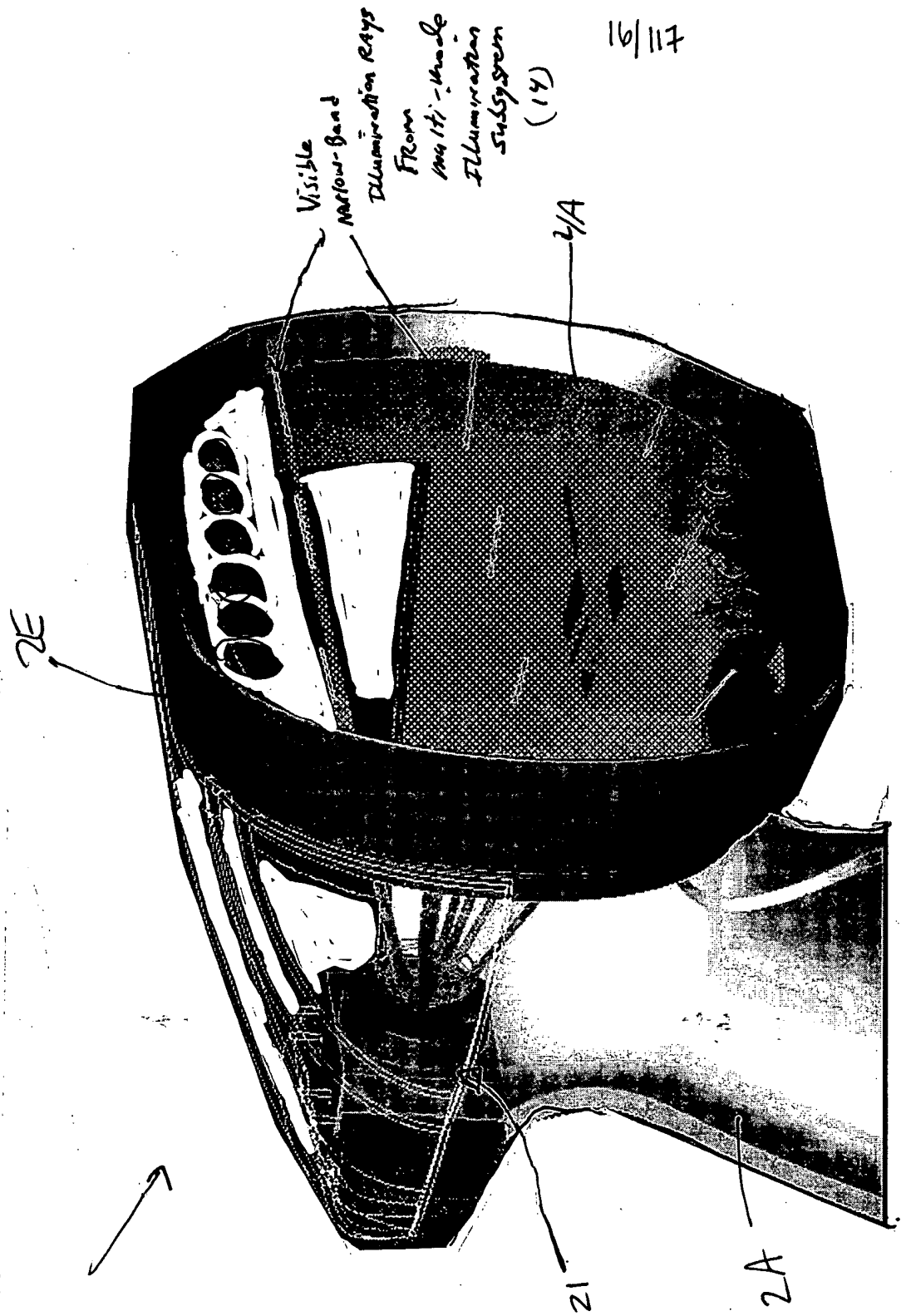


FIG. 3B

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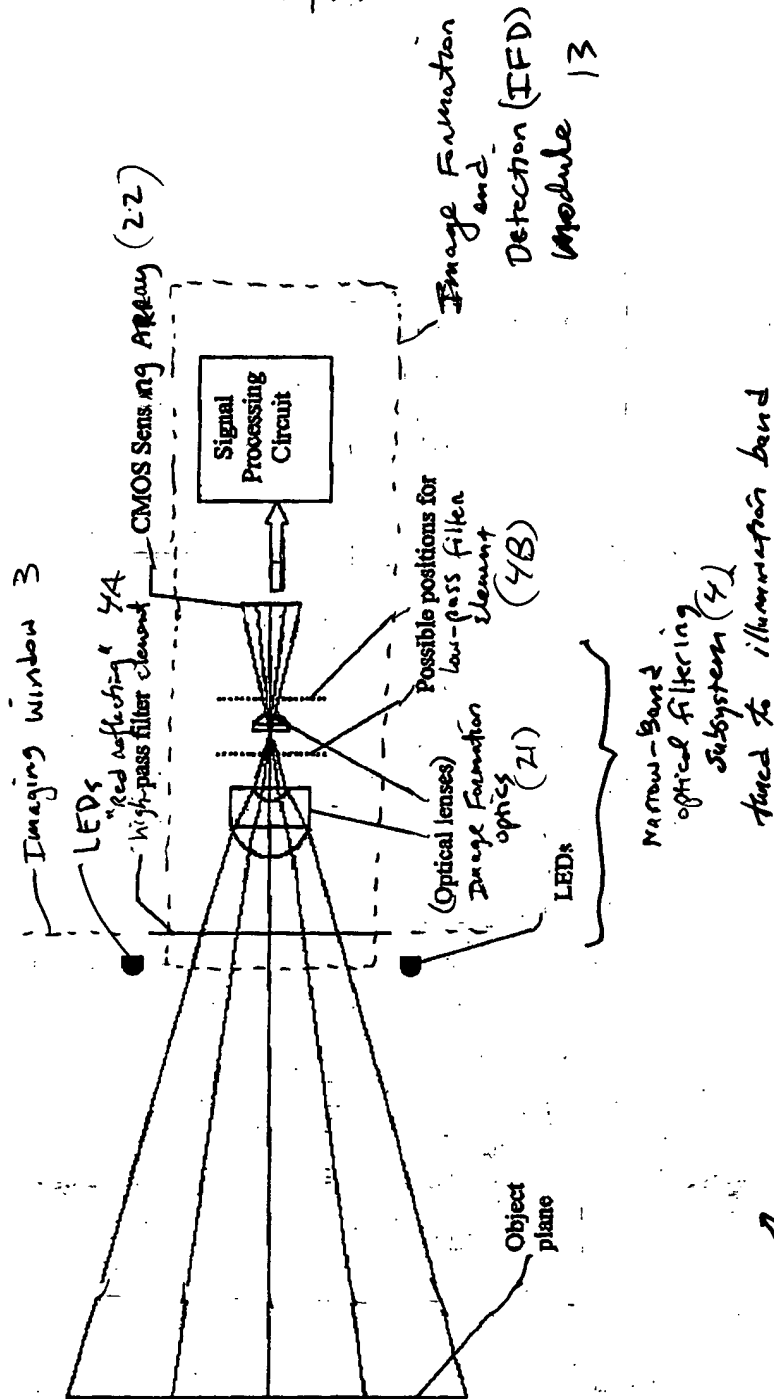


FIG. 3C

- 45° FOV ✓
- As few elements as possible ✓
 - Previous designs had 4 or 5
- As small as possible ✓
 - Max diameter = 12 mm
- All spherical surfaces ✓
- Common glasses ✓
 - LAK2 (\approx LaK9)
 - ZF10 ($=$ SF8)
 - LAF2 (\approx LaF3)

Image formation optics 21

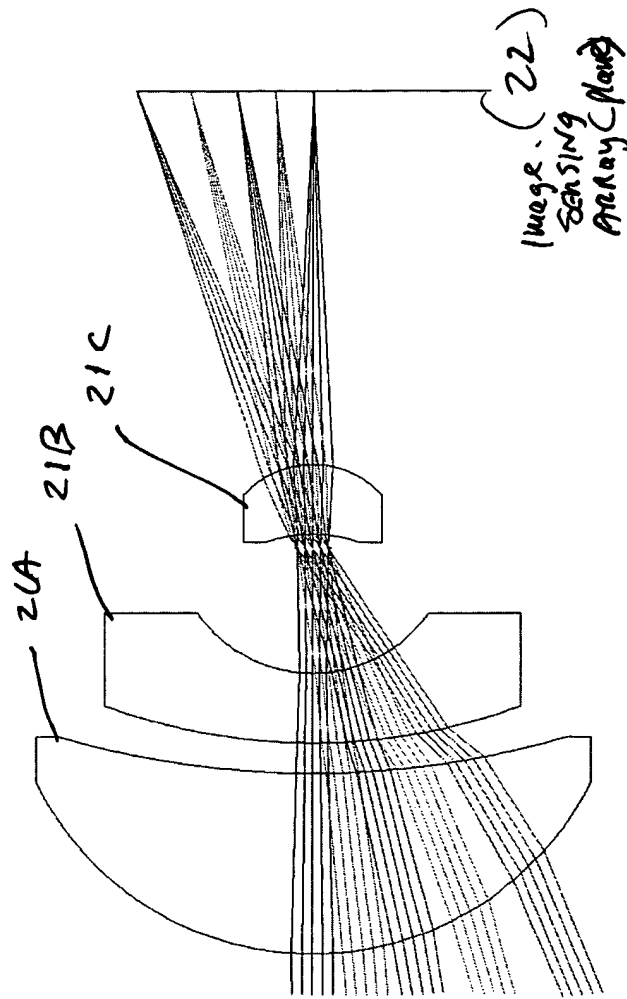


FIG. 3D

Image formation optics assembly (21)

- Barrel hold lens elements
- Base holds sensor
- Barrel slides in base to focus

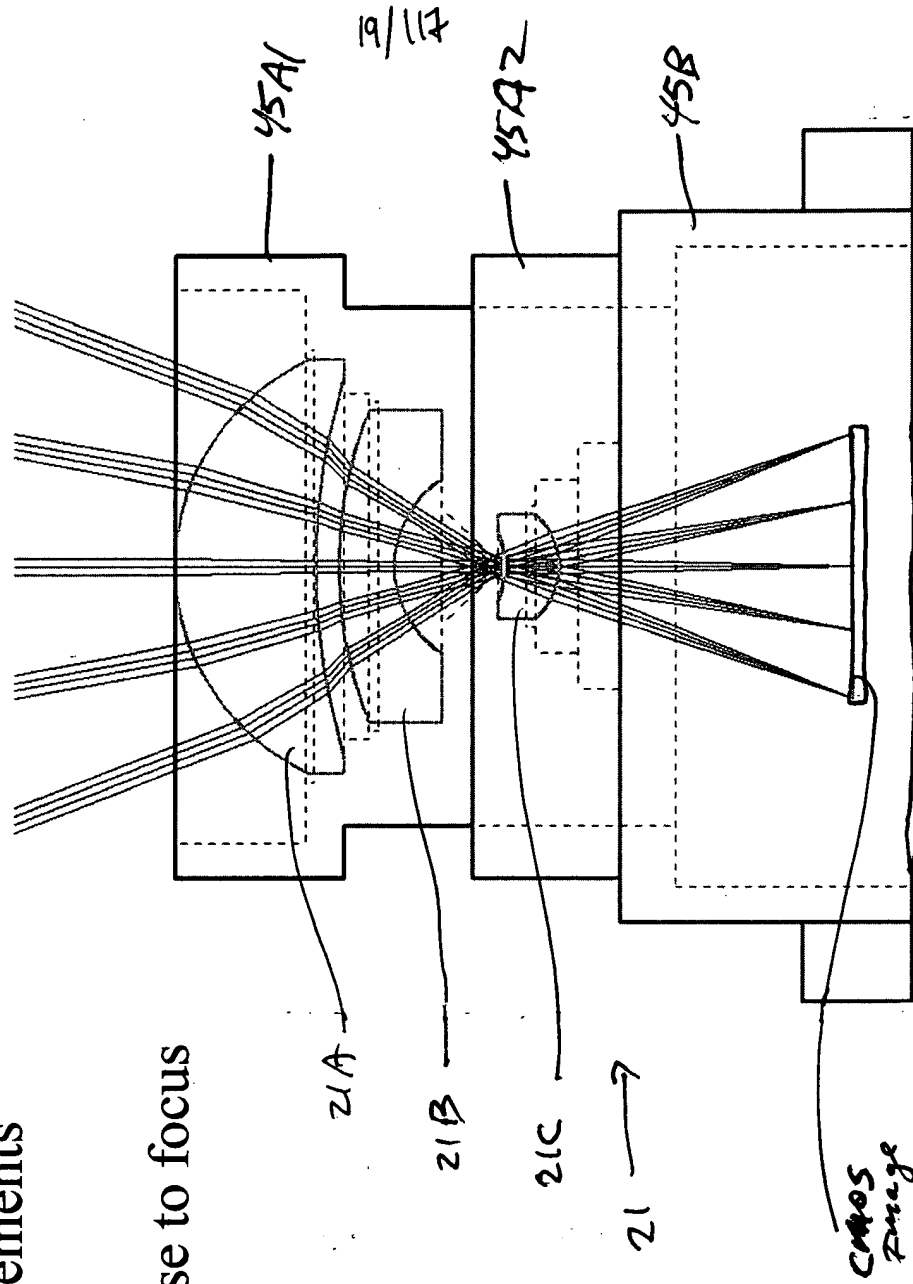


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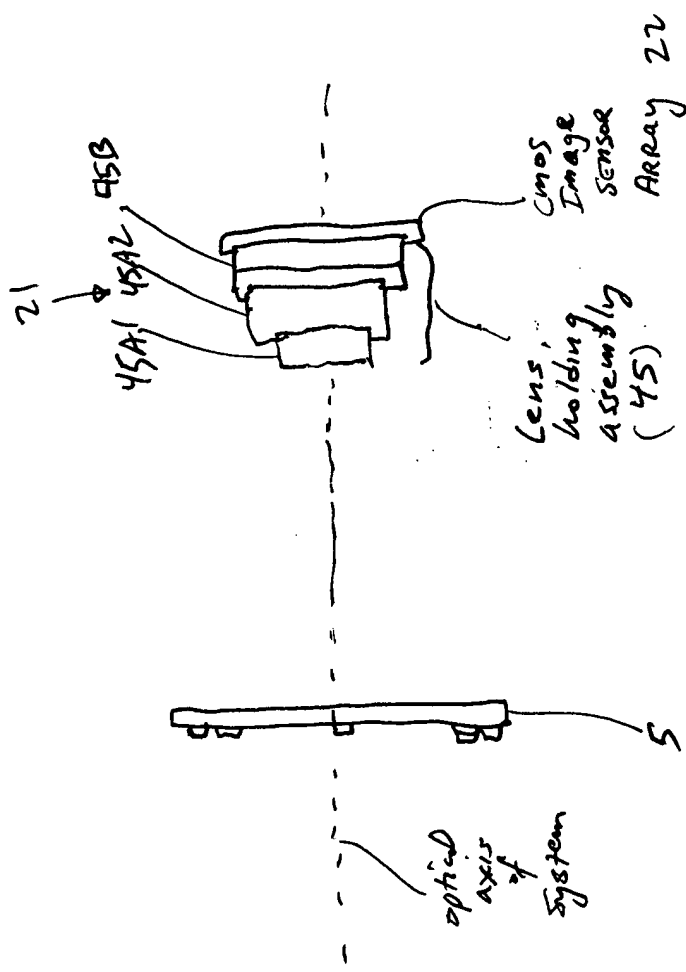


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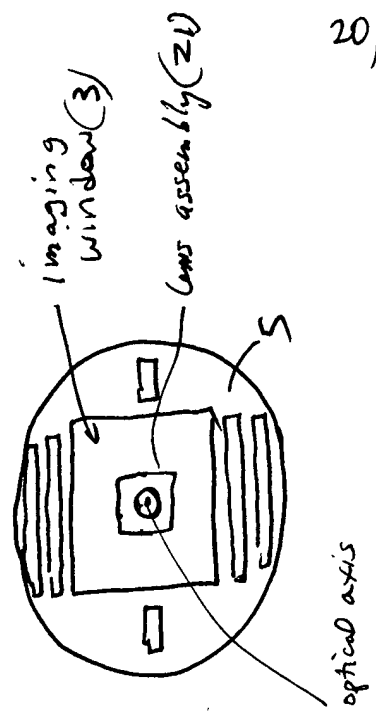


FIG. 3F2

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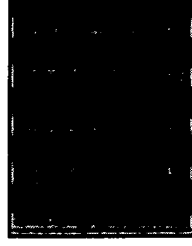
DOF Determination of Image Formation optics

- At each distance, find frequency where MTF drops to 0.3
 - Rule of thumb for bar code decoding
 - Depends on code, speed, etc, etc - must test

MTF = 1.0



MTF = 0.3



- BUT: limited by sampling requirement
 - Software needs ~1.6 pixels on narrow code element
 - Limits decode ability regardless of optics
 - Exact value is rule of thumb and flexible (1.4 – 1.6)



FIG. 36

Depth of Field

- Face to 8" for 13.5 mil ✓
- Optics resolve 4 mil somewhere ✓
- Decodes 5 mil somewhere ✓
- No moving elements ✓

*Resolution of
Image formation optics of
The system*

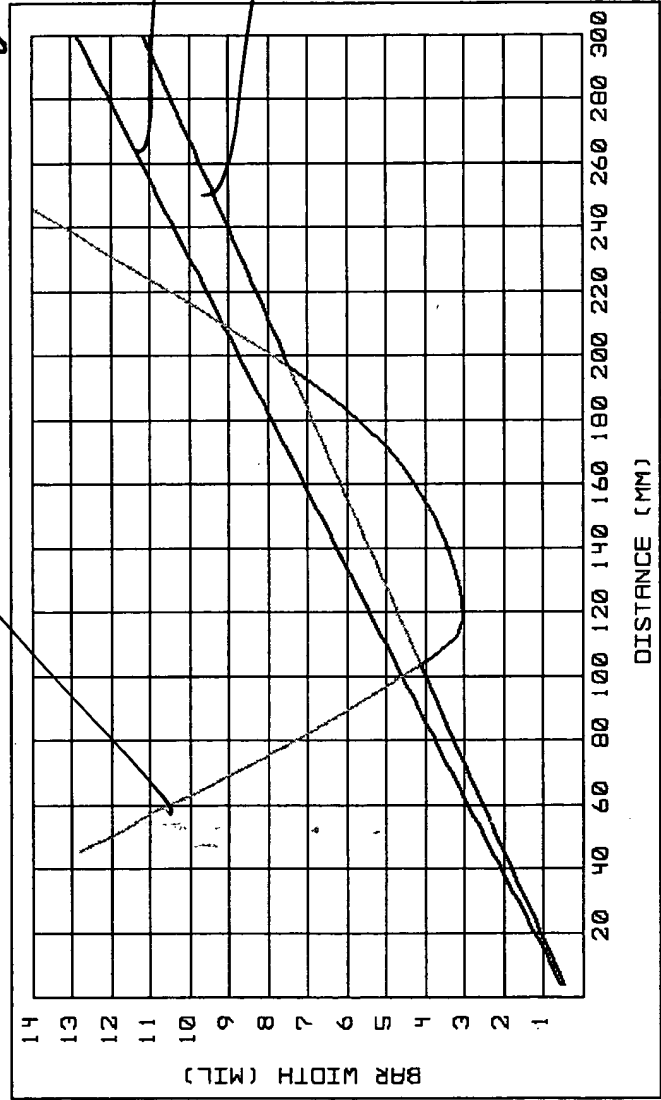


FIG. 4A

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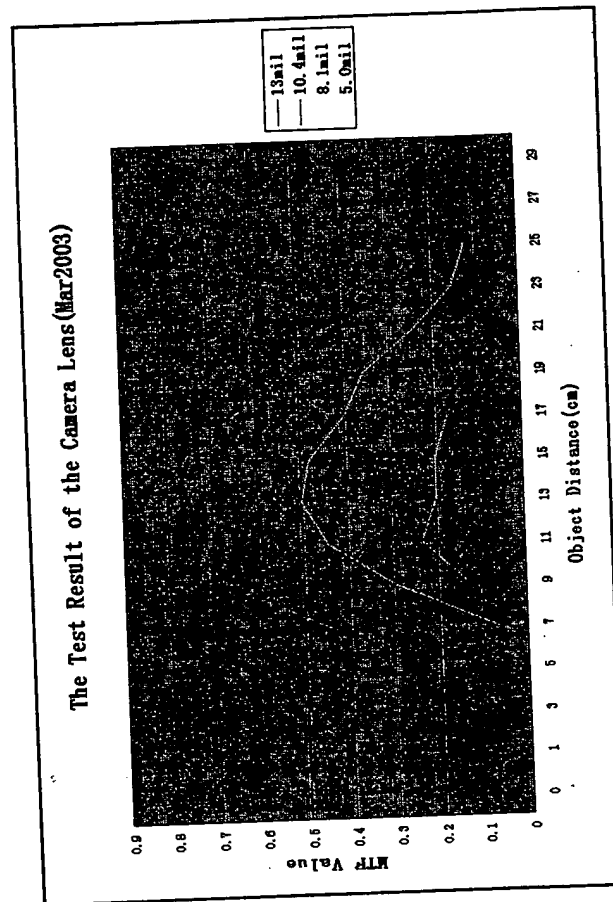


FIG 4B

Depth of Field

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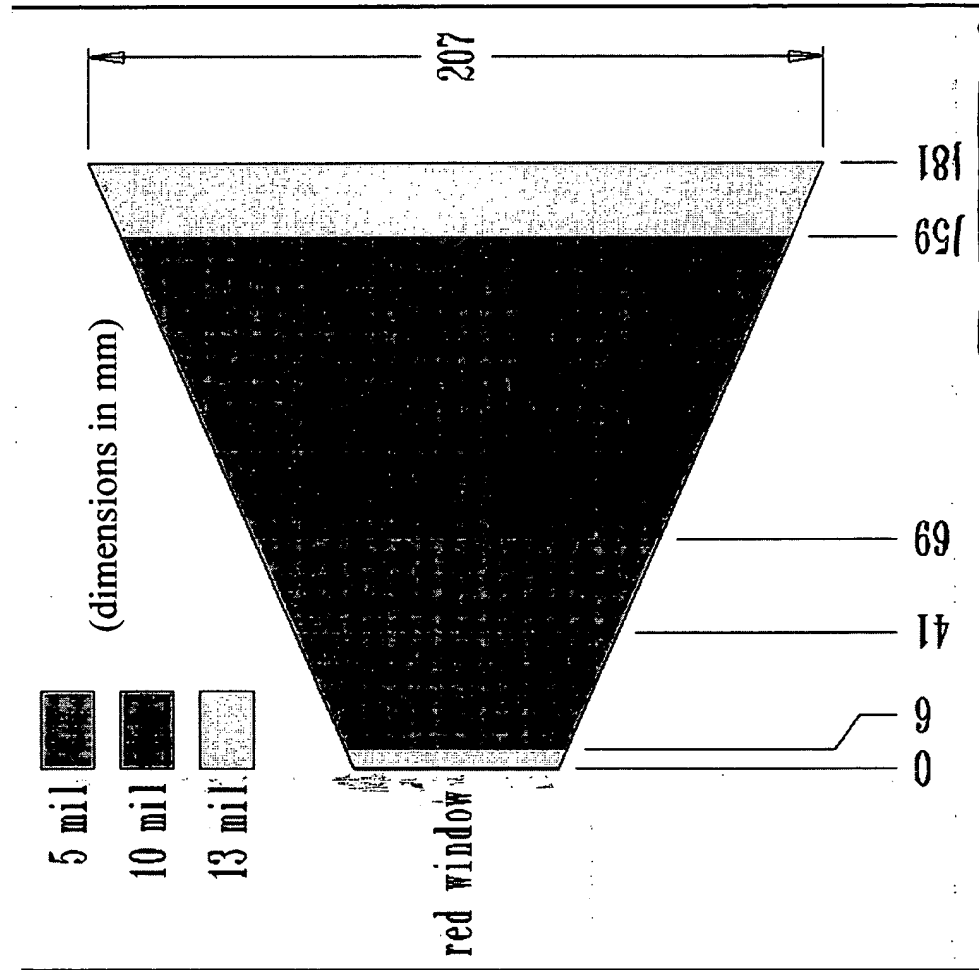


FIG. 4C

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Resolution of
image formation optics

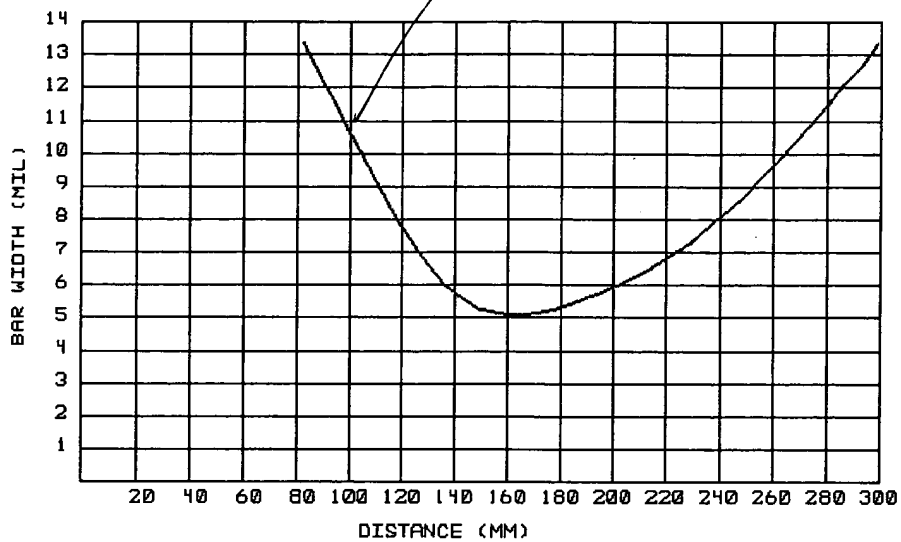


FIG. 4D

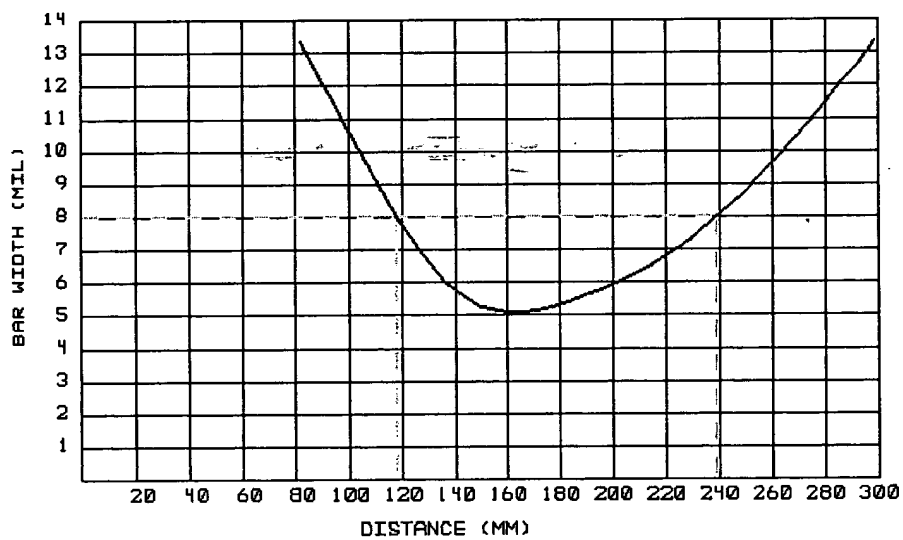


FIG. 4E

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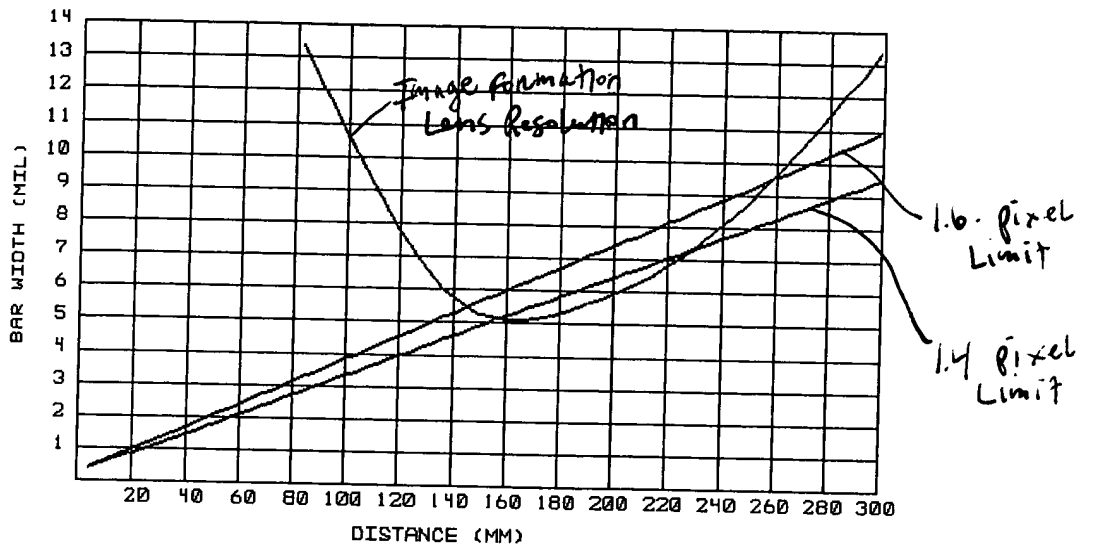


FIG. 4F

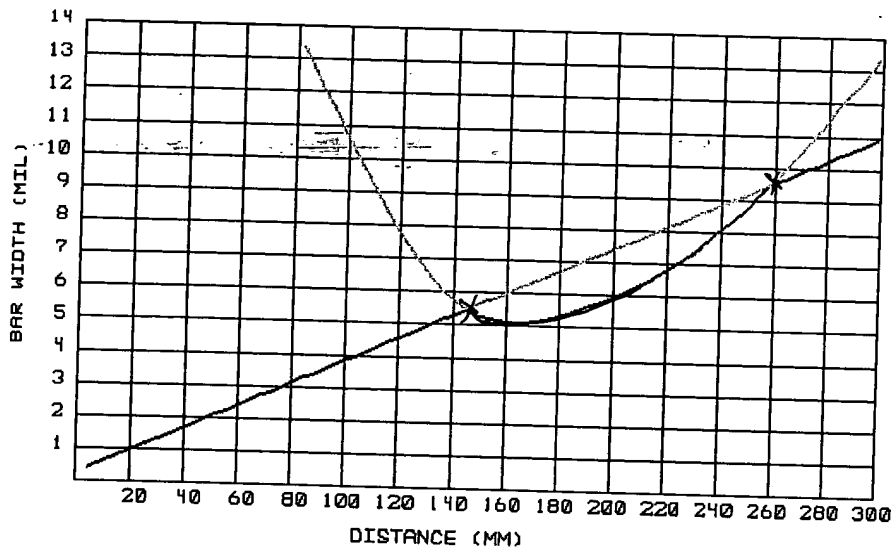


FIG. 4G

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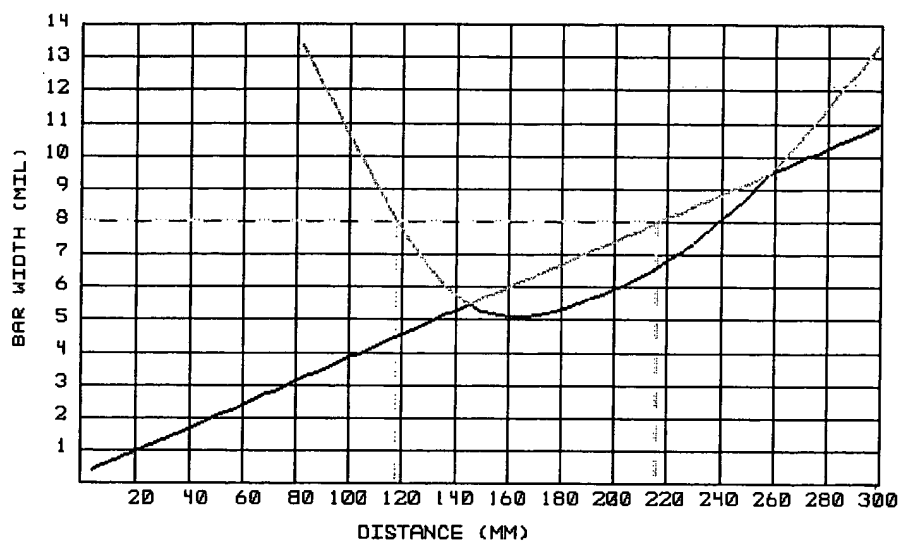


FIG. 4H

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DOF_PMag.zpl

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graphics
xmx=xmax()
xmn=xmin()
ymx=ymax()
ymn=ymin()
xwidth=xmx-xmn
ywidth=ymx-ymn
xleft=xmn+(0.1*xwidth)
xright=xmn+(0.95*xwidth)
ytopp=ymn+(0.05*ywidth)
ybott=ymn+(0.7*ywidth)

line xleft,ytopp,xright,ytopp
line xright,ytopp,xright,ybott
line xright,ybott,xleft,ybott
line xleft,ybott,xleft,ytopp

format 4.3
settextsize 140,80
gtext 0.68*xwidth,(0.85)*ywidth,0,"Wav :"
gtext 0.68*xwidth,(0.88)*ywidth,0,"WGT :"
for i=1,nwav(),1
    gtext (0.68+i*0.05)*xwidth,0.85*ywidth,0,$str(wav1(i))
    gtext (0.68+i*0.05)*xwidth,0.88*ywidth,0,$str(wwgt(i))
next
gtext 0.68*xwidth,(0.91)*ywidth,0,"Relative illumination : "
gtext 0.9*xwidth,(0.91)*ywidth,0,$str(reli(nfld()))
settextsize 90,50
input "Please input startpoint (mm):",start
if (start<=0) then input "Please input startpoint (mm):",start
input "Please input pixel size (um):",pix
if (pix<=0) then input "Please input pixel size (um):",pix
for i=start,start+150,10
    xpos=xleft+(i-start)/150*0.85*xwidth
    line xpos,ytopp,xpos,ybott
    format 3.0
    gtext xleft*0.85+(i-start)/150*0.85*xwidth,0.72*ywidth,0,$str(i)
next
settextsize 70,40
for i=1,14,1
    ypos=ytopp+i/14*.65*ywidth
    line xleft,ypos,xright,ypos
    format 3.0
    gtext 0.05*xwidth,ytopp*0.9+(i-1)/14*.65*ywidth,0,$str(14-i+1)
next

gtitle "The DOF and PMAG curve of current design"
gdate

format 12.6
oldthic=thic(0)

getsystemdata 2
settextsize 120,40
j=1
gtext xwidth*0.018,0.85*ywidth,0,"centering "
for i=1,nsur()-2,1
    if (gind(i)!=0.0)
        format 2.0
        gtext xwidth*0.10+(j-1)*0.07*xwidth,0.85*ywidth,0,$str(j)+":"
        gtext xwidth*0.12+(j-1)*0.07*xwidth,0.85*ywidth,0,":"
        format 4.2

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FIG 4I1

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DOF_PMag.zpl
    if (curv(i)*curv(i+1)<0) then
centering=abso((sdia(i)*curv(i)+sdia(i+1)*curv(i+1)))
    if (curv(i)*curv(i+1)>0) then
centering=abso((sdia(i)*curv(i)-sdia(i+1)*curv(i+1)))
    gtext xwidth*0.13+(j-1)*0.07*xwidth,0.85*ywidth,0,$str(centering)
    j=j+1
    endif
next
format 4.2
settextsize 70,40
gtext xwidth*0.018,0.91*ywidth,0,"image space f/# : "+$str(vec2(8))
gtext xwidth*0.018,0.94*ywidth,0,"effective focal length : "+$str(vec2(7))
!color (3)
gtextcent ymn+(0.77*ywidth),"distance (mm)"
gtext xleft*0.32,0.5*ywidth,90,"bar width (mil)"

format 12.6
settextsize 100,40
minmtf=1
maxfreq=0
thic 0=start
update all
for k=0,200,0.2
    !i=nfld()
    for i=1,nfld(),1
        getmtf k,0,i,2,1,1
        !print vec1(0)
        !print vec1(1)
        if (vec1(0)<minmtf) then minmtf=vec1(0)
        if (vec1(1)<minmtf) then minmtf=vec1(1)
        if (minmtf<=0.3)
            maxfreq=k
            goto 1
        endif
    next
next
label 1
!color (1)

!output "1.txt" append

oldxpos=xleft+0/150*0.85*xwidth
oldypos=yttop+(14-(1/(maxfreq/(sdia(0)/sdia(nsurr))))*0.5/25.4*1000))/14*0.65*ywidth
switch=0
m=0
for j=start,start+150,3
    thic 0=j
    update all
    minmtf=1
    for k=m,200,0.3
        !i=nfld()
        for i=1,nfld(),1
            getmtf k,0,i,2,1,1
            if (vec1(0)<minmtf) then minmtf=vec1(0)
            if (vec1(1)<minmtf) then minmtf=vec1(1)
            if (minmtf<=0.3)
                maxfreq=k
                goto 2
            endif
        next
    next
    label 2
    if (maxfreq-5)>0

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DOF_PMAG.zpl

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else      m=maxfreq-10
          m=0
endif
!print j,sdia(0),sdia(nsur()),maxfreq
if ((switch=0) & (1/(maxfreq/(sdia(0)/sdia(nsur())))*0.5/25.4*1000<=13))
!color (0)
format 5.2
a$="FOV for 10 mil: "+$str(2*sdia(0)) + " at "+$str(j-2)+ " mm ; "
gtext xwidth*0.018,0.97*ywidth,0,a$
switch=1
format 12.6
!color(1)
else
  if ((switch=1) &
(1/(maxfreq/(sdia(0)/sdia(nsur())))*0.5/25.4*1000>=13))
!color(0)
format 5.2
a$=$str(2*sdia(0))+ " at "+$str(j-2)+ " mm"
gtext xwidth*0.44,0.97*ywidth,0,a$
switch=0
format 12.6
goto 3
!color(1)
endif
endif
newxpos=      xleft+(j-start)/150*0.85*xwidth
newypos=ytopp+(14-(1/(maxfreq/(sdia(0)/sdia(nsur())))*0.5/25.4*1000))/14*0.65*ywidth
if ((14-14*(oldypos-ytopp)/0.65/ywidth)<14) then line
oldxpos,oldypos,newxpos,newypos
oldxpos=newxpos
oldypos=newypos
next
label 3
thic 0=start
update all
oldxpos=xleft+0/150*0.85*xwidth
oldxpos1=xleft+0/150*0.85*xwidth
oldypos=ytopp+(14-(0.5/((0.5/1.6/pix*1000)/(sdia(0)/sdia(nsur())))/25.4*1000))/14*0.65*ywidth
oldypos1=ytopp+(14-(0.5/((0.5/1.4/pix*1000)/(sdia(0)/sdia(nsur())))/25.4*1000))/14*0.65*ywidth
for j=start,start+150,4
  thic 0=j
  update all
  newxpos=xleft+(j-start)/150*0.85*xwidth
  newxpos1=xleft+(j-start)/150*0.85*xwidth
  newypos=ytopp+(14-(0.5/((0.5/1.6/pix*1000)/(sdia(0)/sdia(nsur())))/25.4*1000))/14*0.65*ywidth
  newypos1=ytopp+(14-(0.5/((0.5/1.4/pix*1000)/(sdia(0)/sdia(nsur())))/25.4*1000))/14*0.65*ywidth
  line oldxpos,oldypos,newxpos,newypos
  line oldxpos1,oldypos1,newxpos1,newypos1
  oldxpos=newxpos
  oldypos=newypos
  oldxpos1=newxpos1
  oldypos1=newypos1
next
thic 0=oldthic

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FIG. 4I3

Multi-mode Illumination Subsystem

- Three modes of Illumination :

- (1) Wide-Area for "near" object (0 mm - 100 mm)
- (2) Wide-Area for "far" object (100 mm - 200 mm)
- (3) Narrow-Area for "near" object (30 mm - 100 mm)

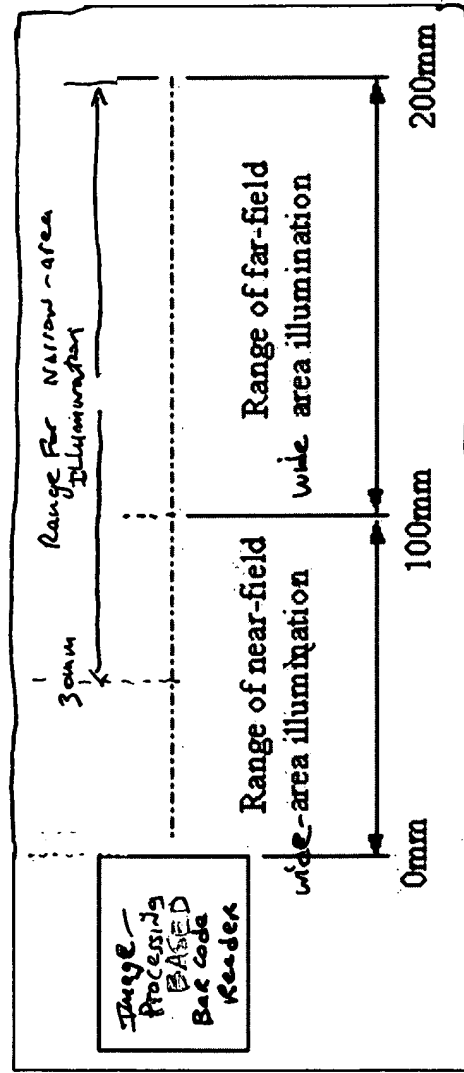


FIG. 5A1

Illumination Design Goals for First Illustrative Embodiment

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o WIDE-AREA Illumination Modes

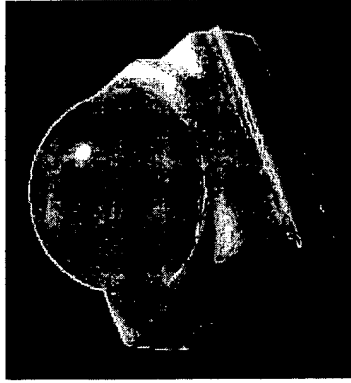
- Match FOV and DOF (45° , 200mm)
- Sufficient power density on target
 - Pixel value > 80 DN at far field center
- Achieve sufficient uniformity (center:edge = 2:1 max)
- Use as few LEDs as possible

o NARROW-AREA Illumination mode

- Line usable beginning 40 mm from window
- Match FOV and DOF
- Sufficient power density on target
- Sufficiently thin line
 - Height < 10 mm at far field

FIG. 5A2

LEDs for NARROW-AREA ILLUMINATION



- Linear illumination: Osram LS E655
 - 633 nm InGaAlP
 - 60° Lambertian emittance
 - 6.75 mW total output power (typical conditions)
 - \$0.18 each in 50k

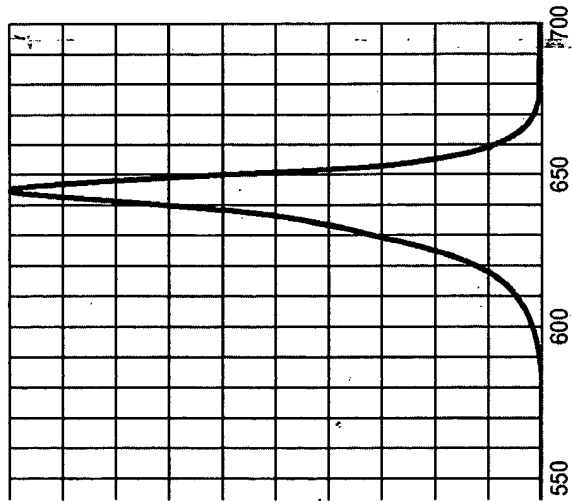


FIG. 5C1

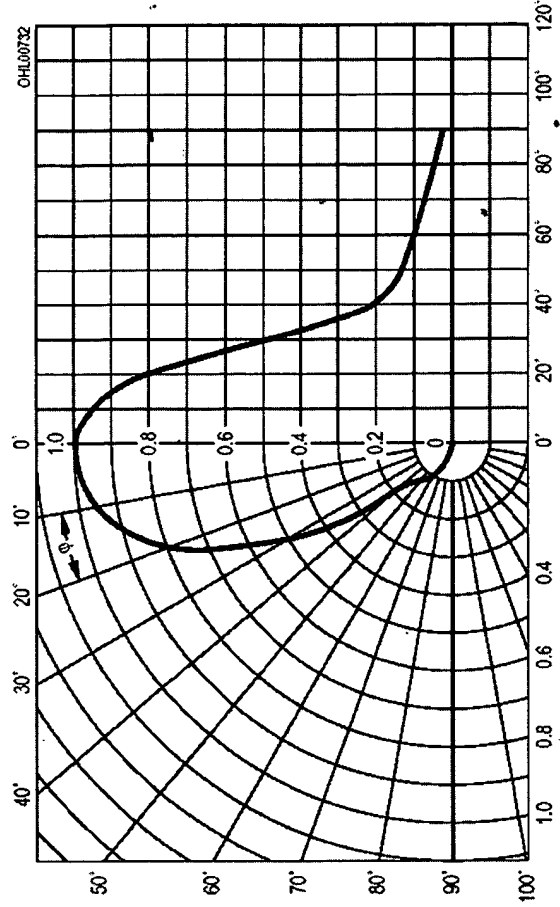
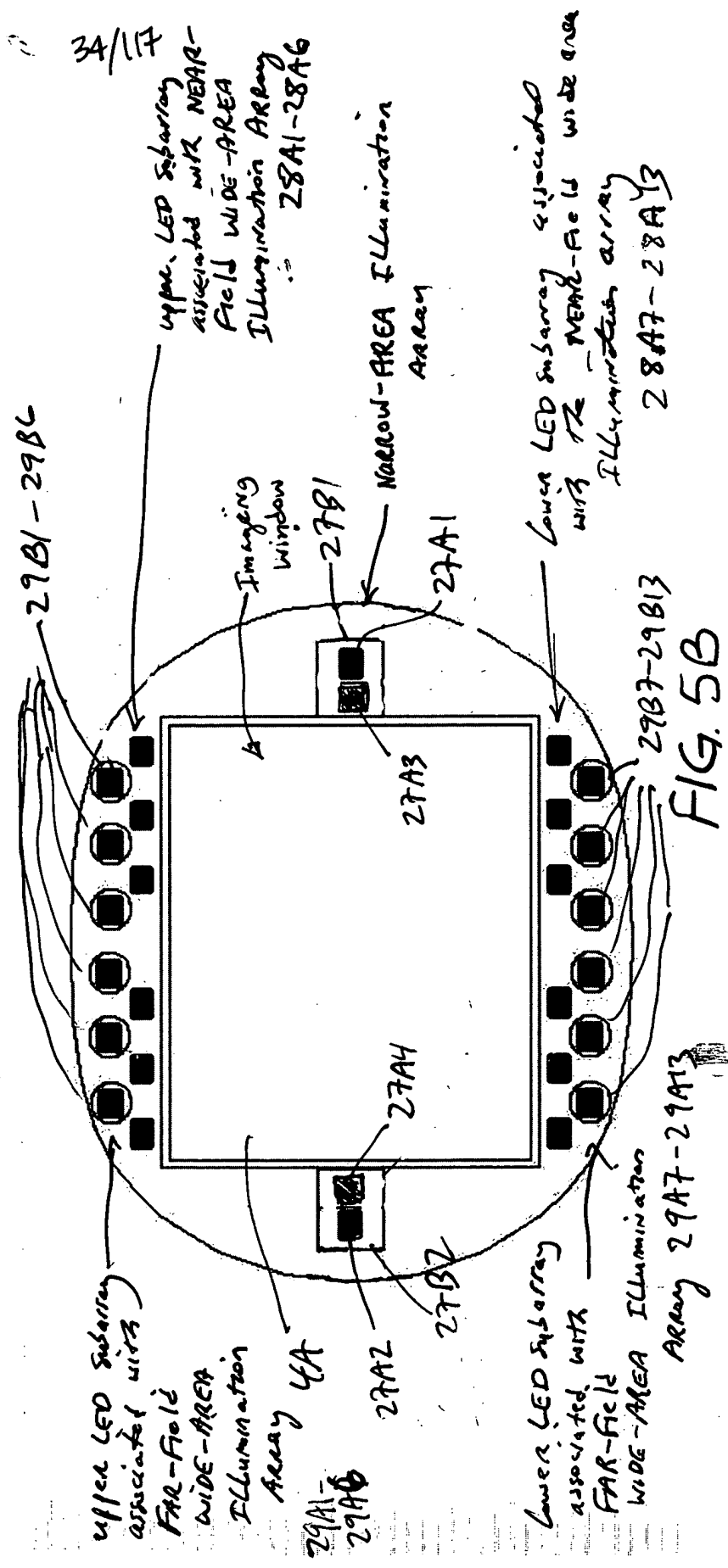


FIG. 5C2

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LED Arrangements For Near-Field and Far-Field Wide Area Illumination Arrays and Narrow-Area Illumination Array



Cylindrical Lenses For Narrow-Area Illumination Array

- First surface curved vertically to create line
- Second surface curved horizontally to control line height



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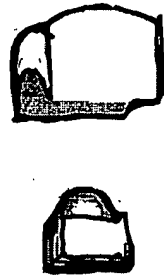


FIG. 5C3



FIG. 5C4

Linear Illumination Profiles

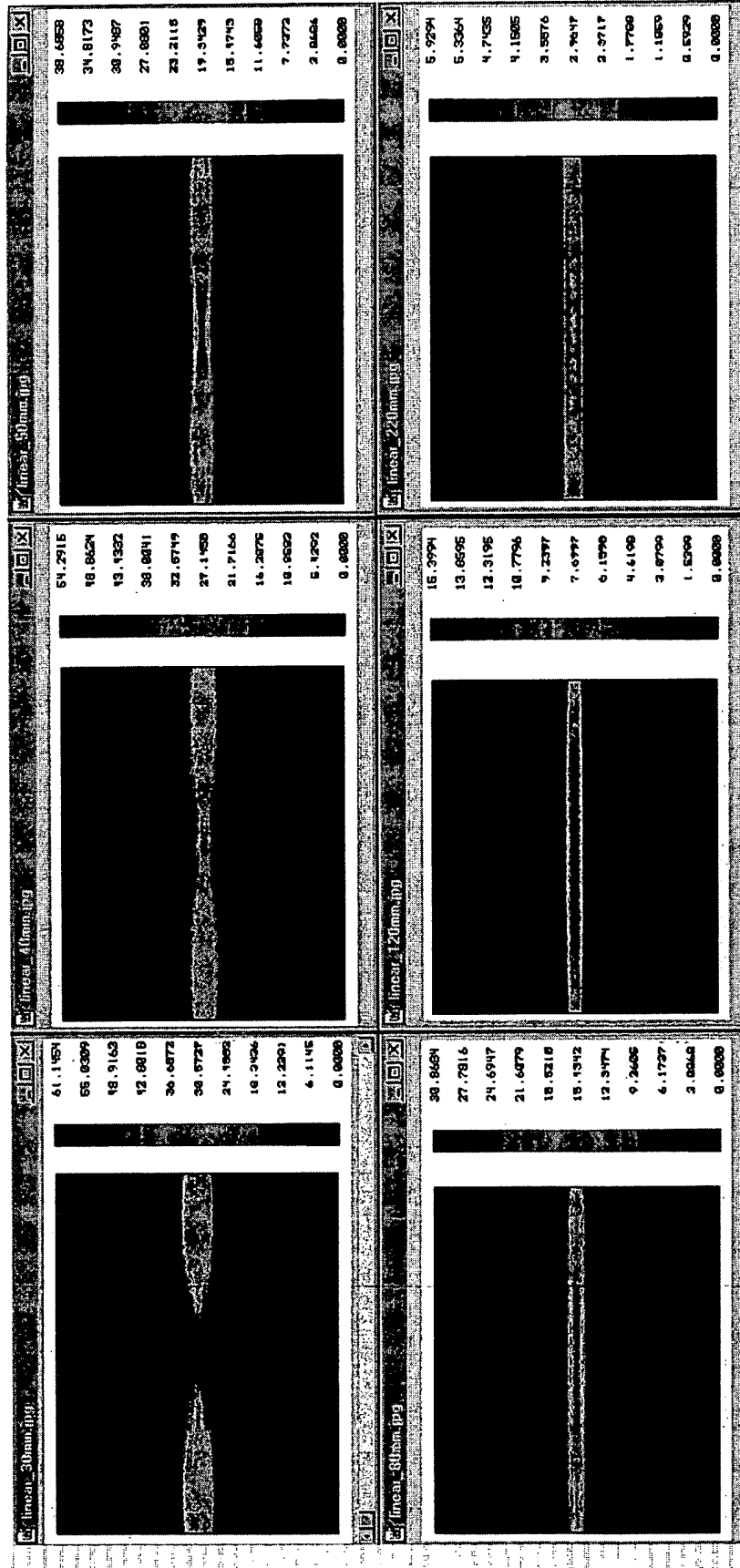


FIG 5C5

Area LEDs

- Area illumination: Osram LS E67B
 - 633 nm InGaAlP
 - 120° Lambertian emittance
 - 11.7 mW total output power (typical conditions)
 - \$0.18 each in 50k

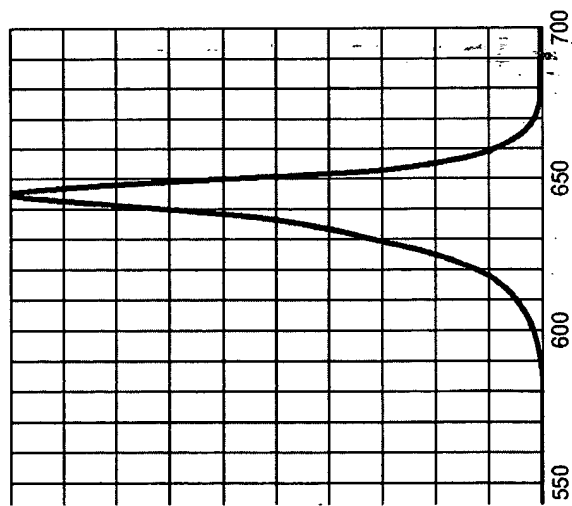


FIG.5D1

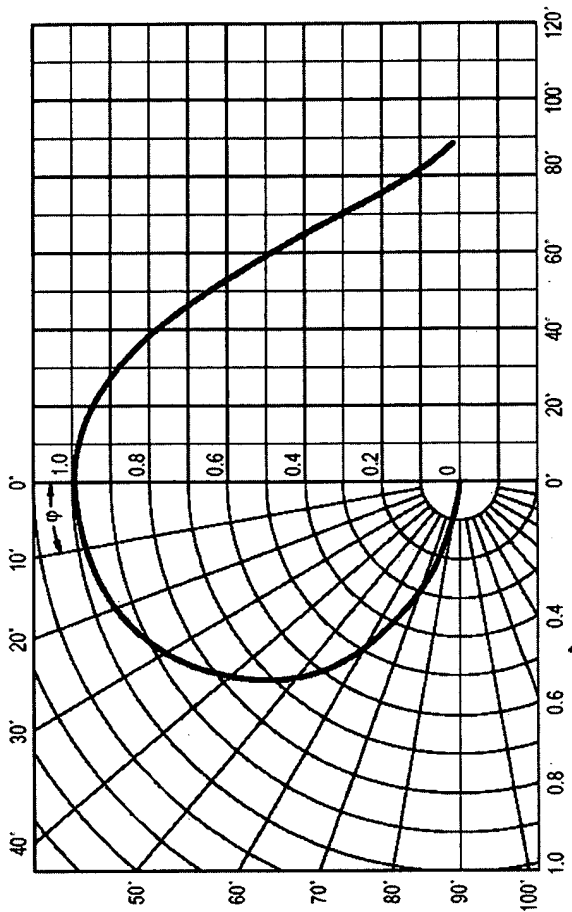


FIG.5D2

Far Area Lenses

- Plano convex lenses in front of far field LEDs
- Light aimed by angling lenses
 - Even out distribution across FOV throughout DOF
 - Satisfy center:edge = 2:1 max criterion
 - Allows LEDs to be mounted flat

FIG. 5D3



- All lenses CNCed in single piece of plastic

FIG. 5D4

WIDE- Area Illumination Profiles (Near)

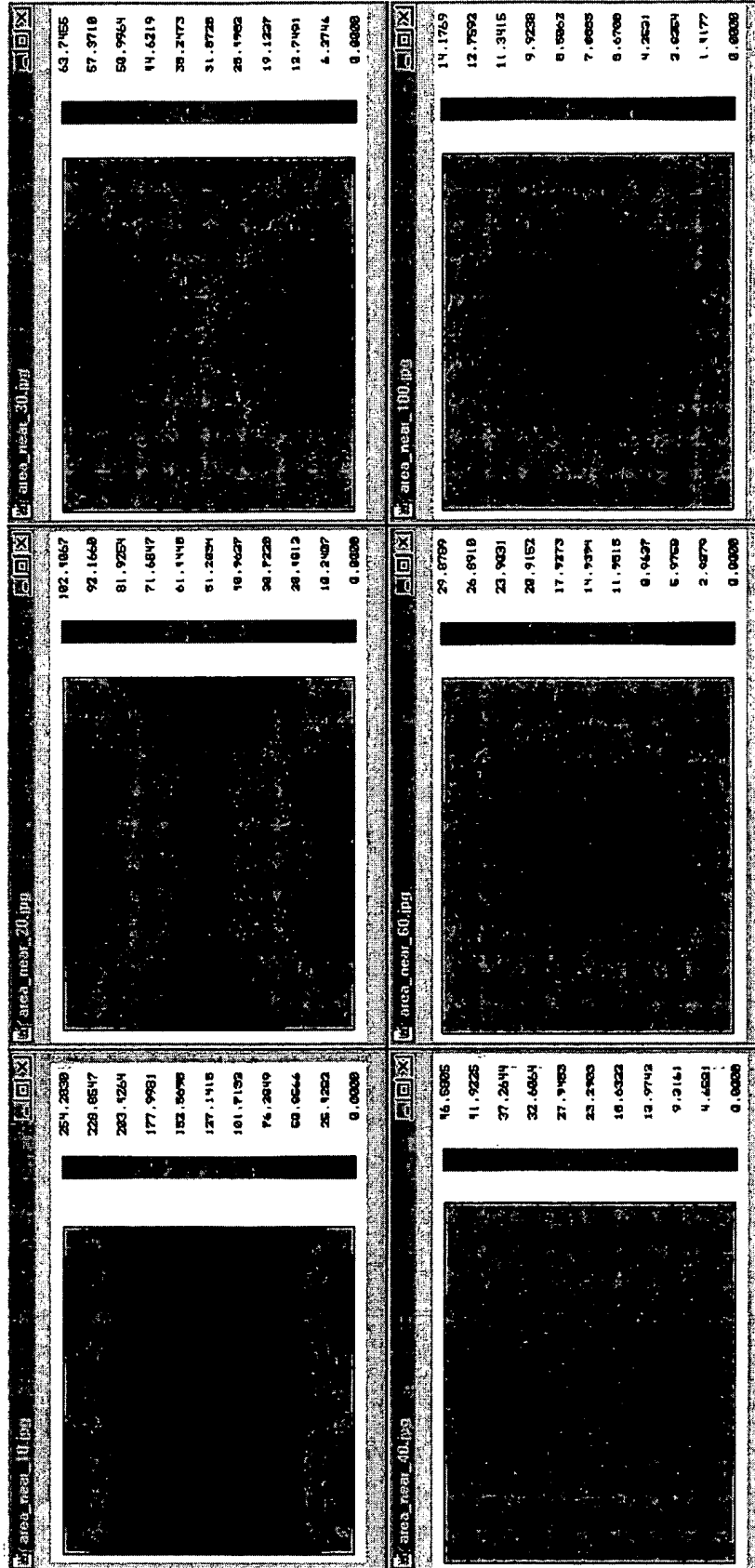


FIG. 5D5

Wide-Area Illumination Profiles (Far)

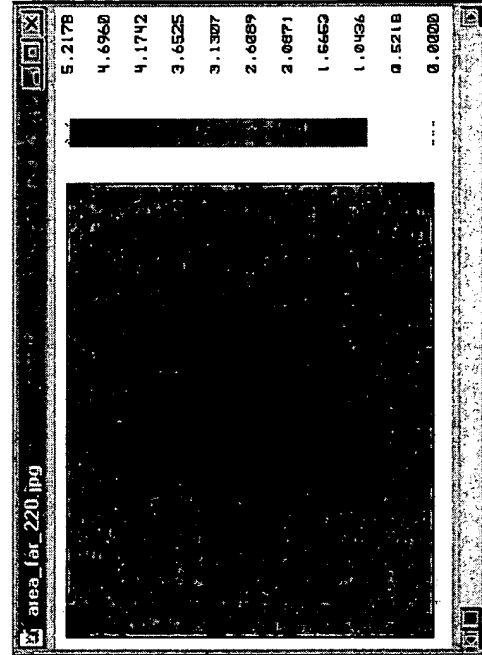
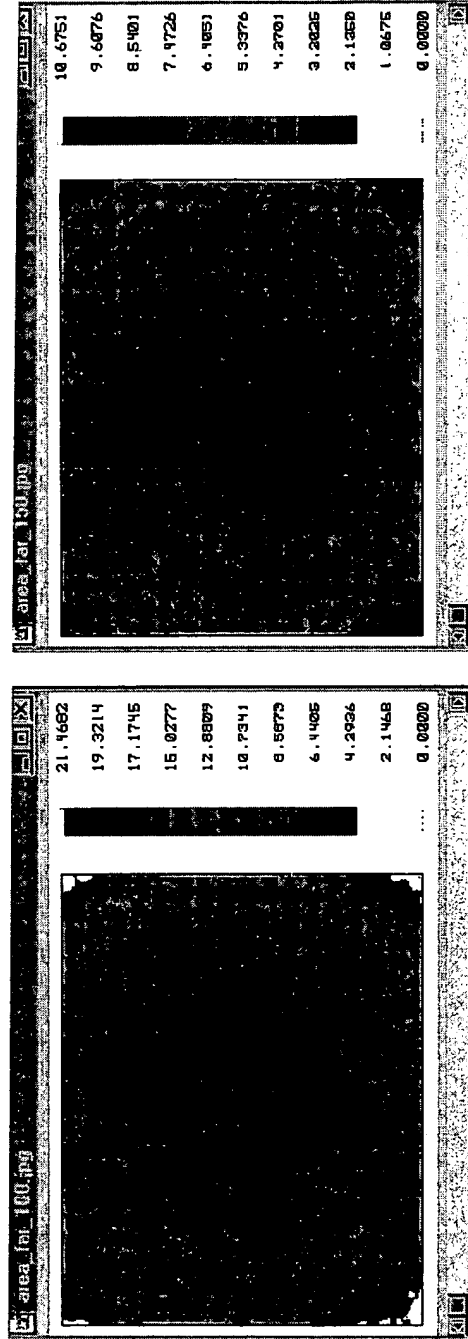


FIG. 506

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Pixel Value Calculation

- Pixel value calculation for center of far field shows sufficient signal (> 80 DN)

description	value	unit
target power density	4	$\mu\text{W} / \text{mm}^2$
surface reflectance	0.6	#
optical transmittance	0.9	
f-number	9	
pixel power density	0.007	$\mu\text{W} / \text{mm}^2$
CMOS internal gain	4.5	#
amplification gain	20	dB
integration time	5	ms
sensor responsivity	1.8	$\text{V} / (\text{lx s})$
wavelength	633	nm
photopic luminous efficiency	0.238	lm / W
signal out of sensor	0.439	V
A/D range max	1.3	V
A/D range min	0.0	
pixel value (0 - 255)	86	DN

FIG. 5D7

Narrow-Band pass Filter (4) tuned to output of multi-mode illumination subsystem

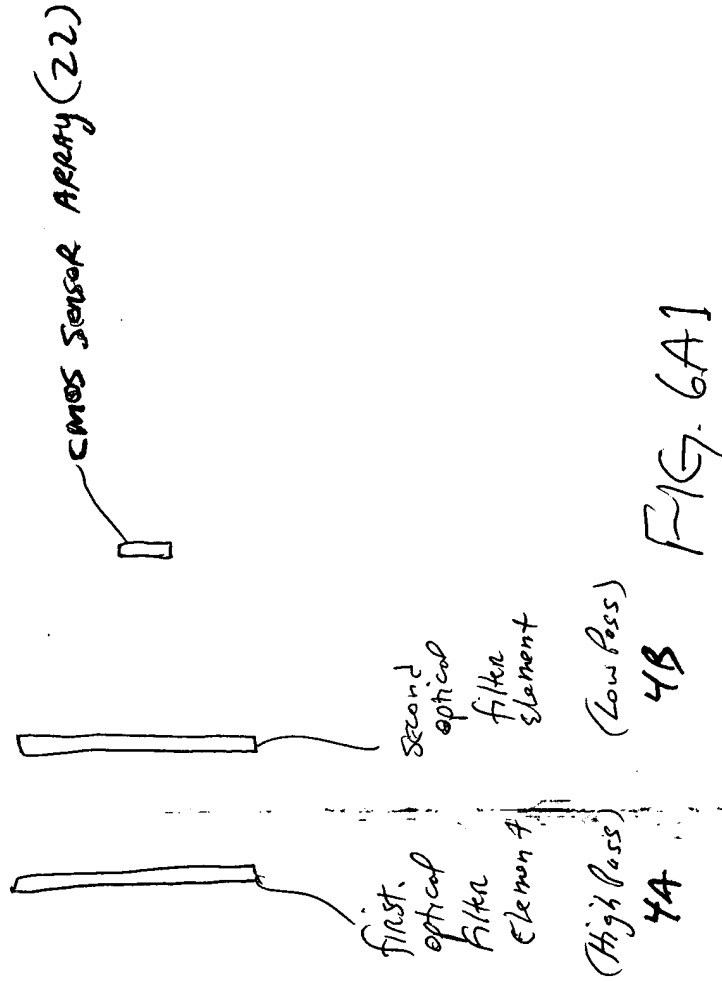


FIG. 6A1

Red Window and Low Pass Filter Characteristics

- Must bandpass return light against ambient
 - Red window + low pass filter
 - Restricts range to 620nm – 700nm

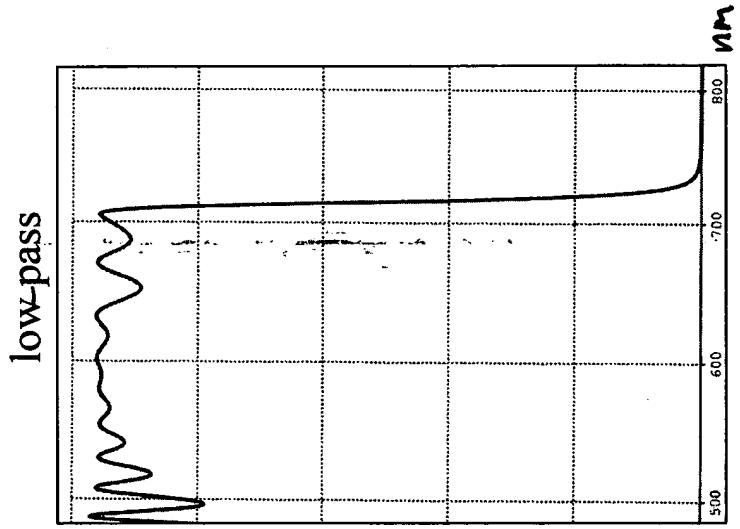


FIG. 6A2

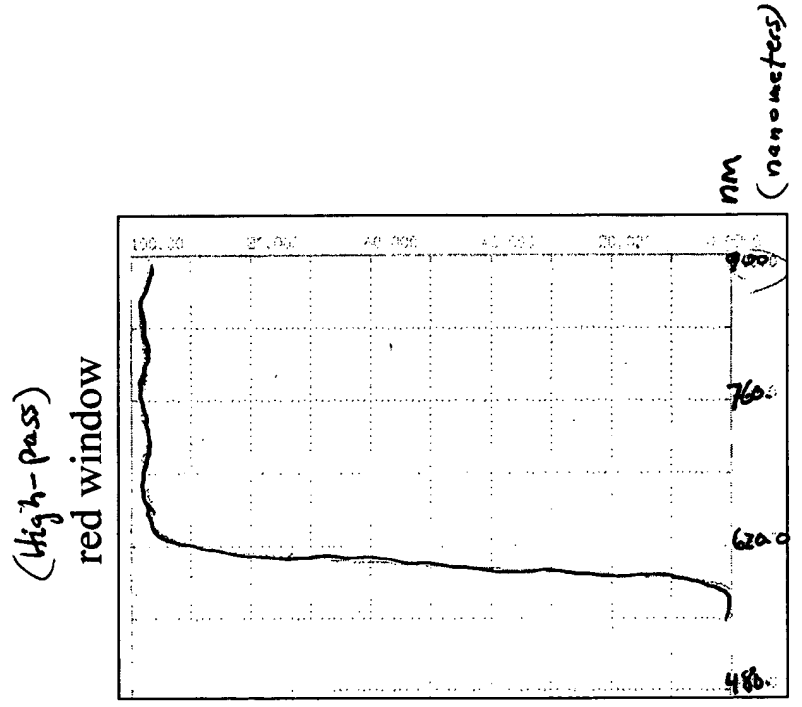
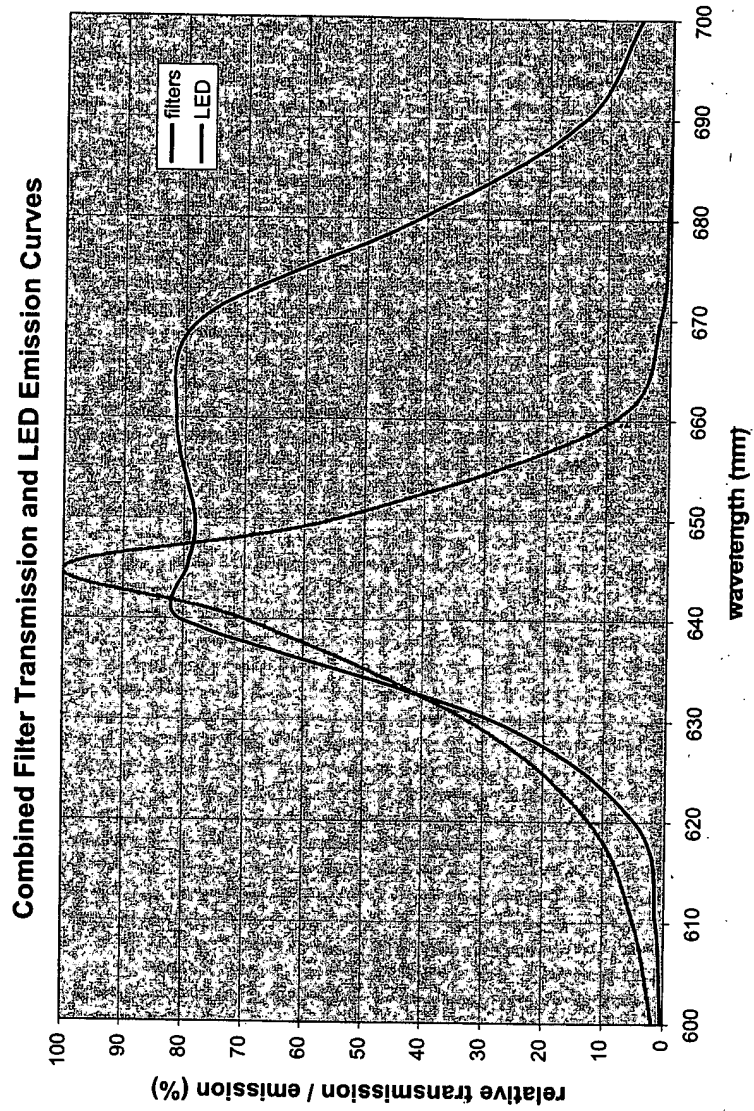


FIG. 6A3

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($\Delta\lambda$) Bandwidth of LED emission signal ≈ 15 nm

FIG. 6A4

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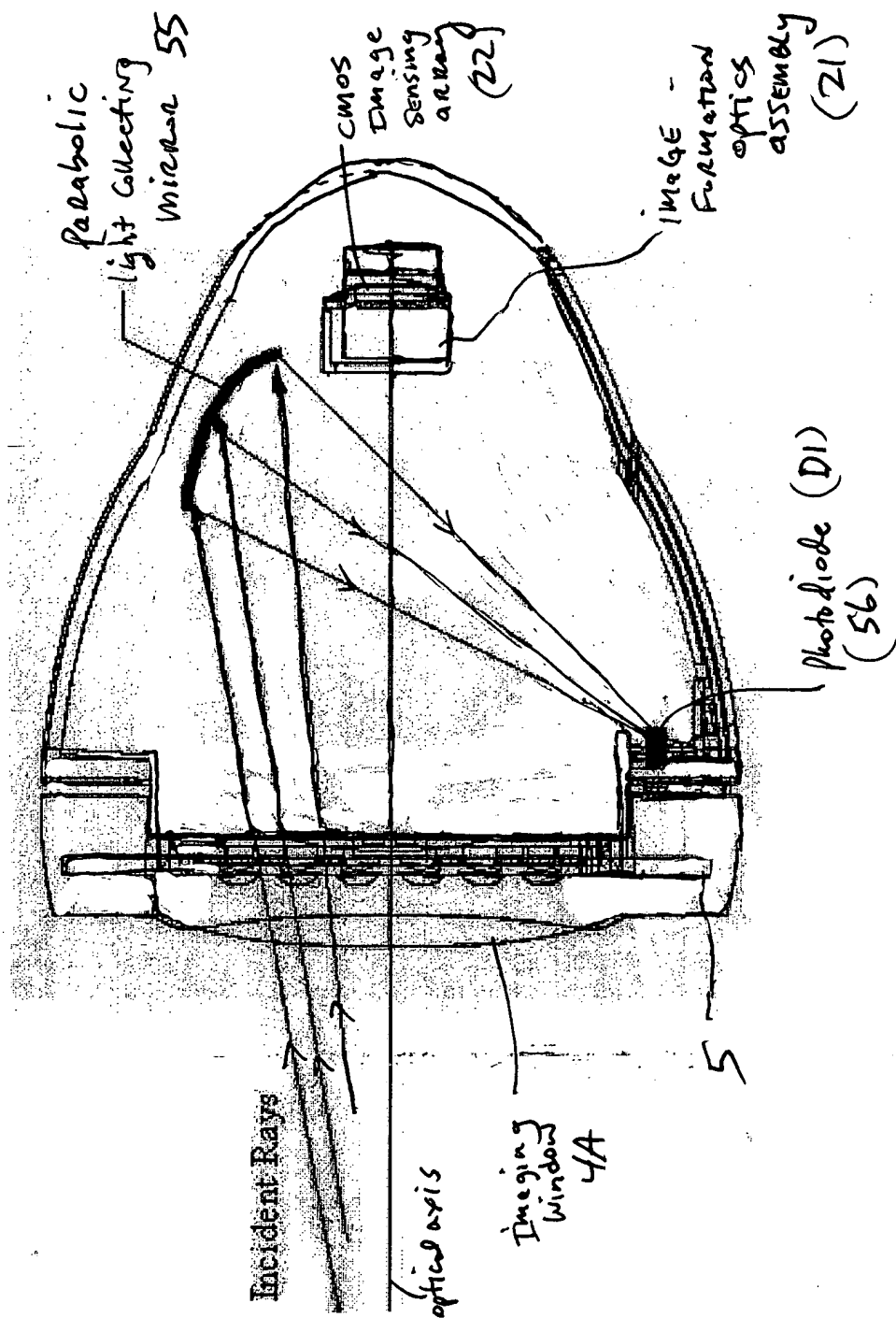


FIG. 7A

Automatic Light Exposure Measurement and Illumination Control

Subsystem
(15)

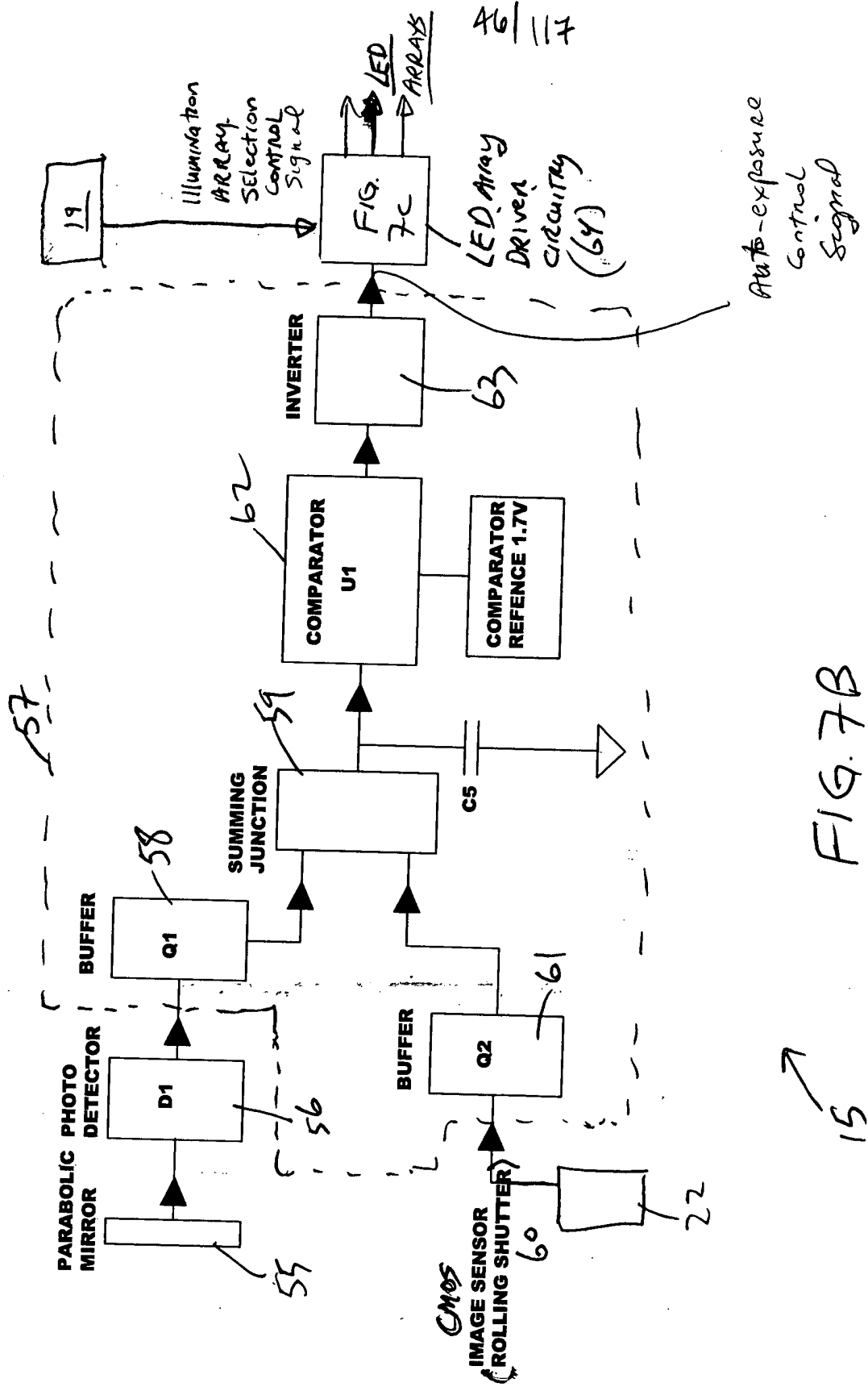


FIG. 7B

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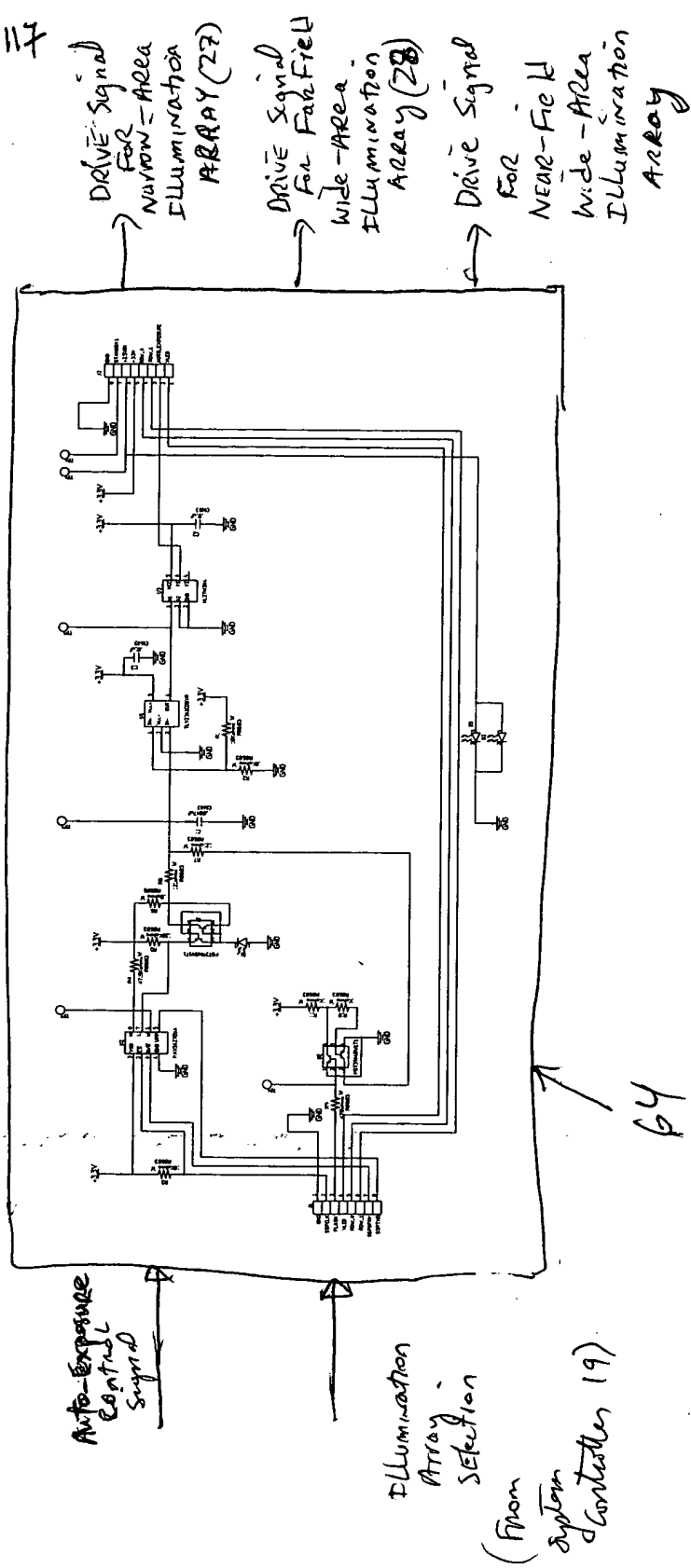


FIG 7C

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Global Exposure Control
Method of
PRESENT Invention

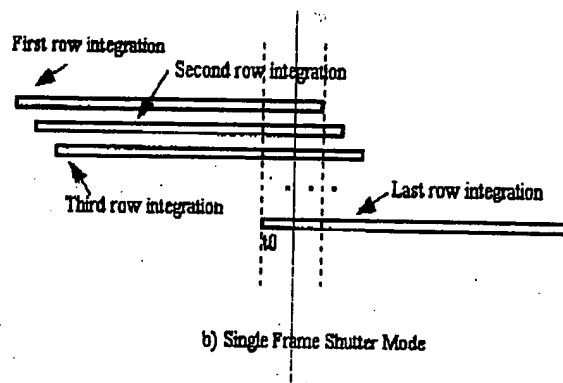
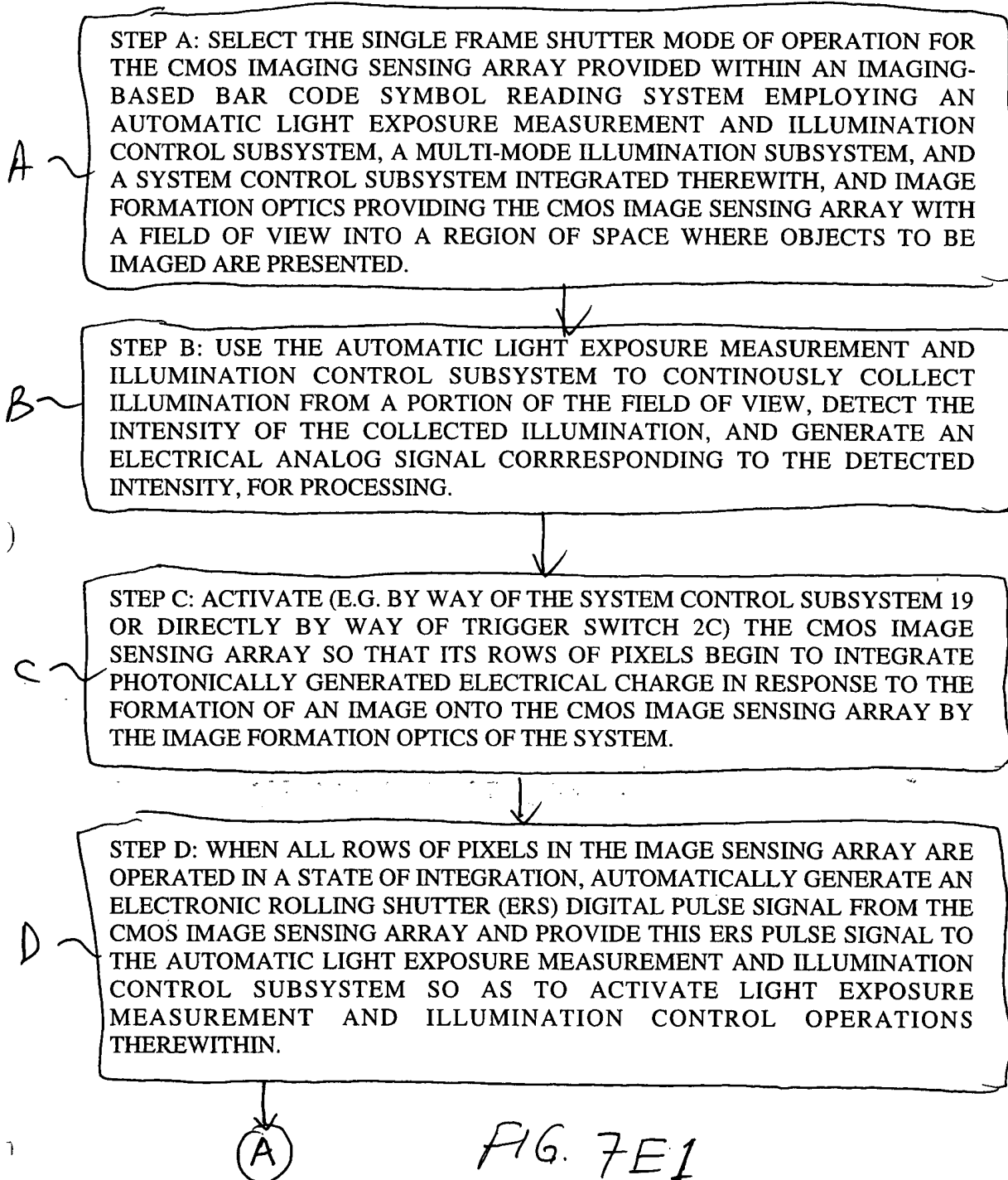


FIG. 7D

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METHOD OF GLOBAL EXPOSURE CONTROL
WITHIN A IMAGING-BASED BAR CODE SYMBOL READING SYSTEM



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A



E

STEP E: UPON ACTIVATION OF THE AUTOMATIC LIGHT EXPOSURE MEASUREMENT AND ILLUMINATION CONTROL SUBSYSTEM, PROCESS THE ELECTRICAL ANALOG SIGNAL BEING CONTINUOUSLY GENERATED THEREWITHIN, MEASURE THE LIGHT EXPOSURE WITHIN A PORTION OF SAID FIELD OF VIEW, AND GENERATE AN AUTO-EXPOSURE CONTROL SIGNAL FOR CONTROLLING THE GENERATION OF ILLUMINATION FROM AT LEAST ONE LED-BASED ILLUMINATION ARRAY IN THE MULTI-MODE ILLUMINATION SUBSYSTEM THAT IS SELECTED BY AN ILLUMINATION ARRAY SELECTION CONTROL SIGNAL PRODUCED BY THE SYSTEM CONTROL SUBSYSTEM

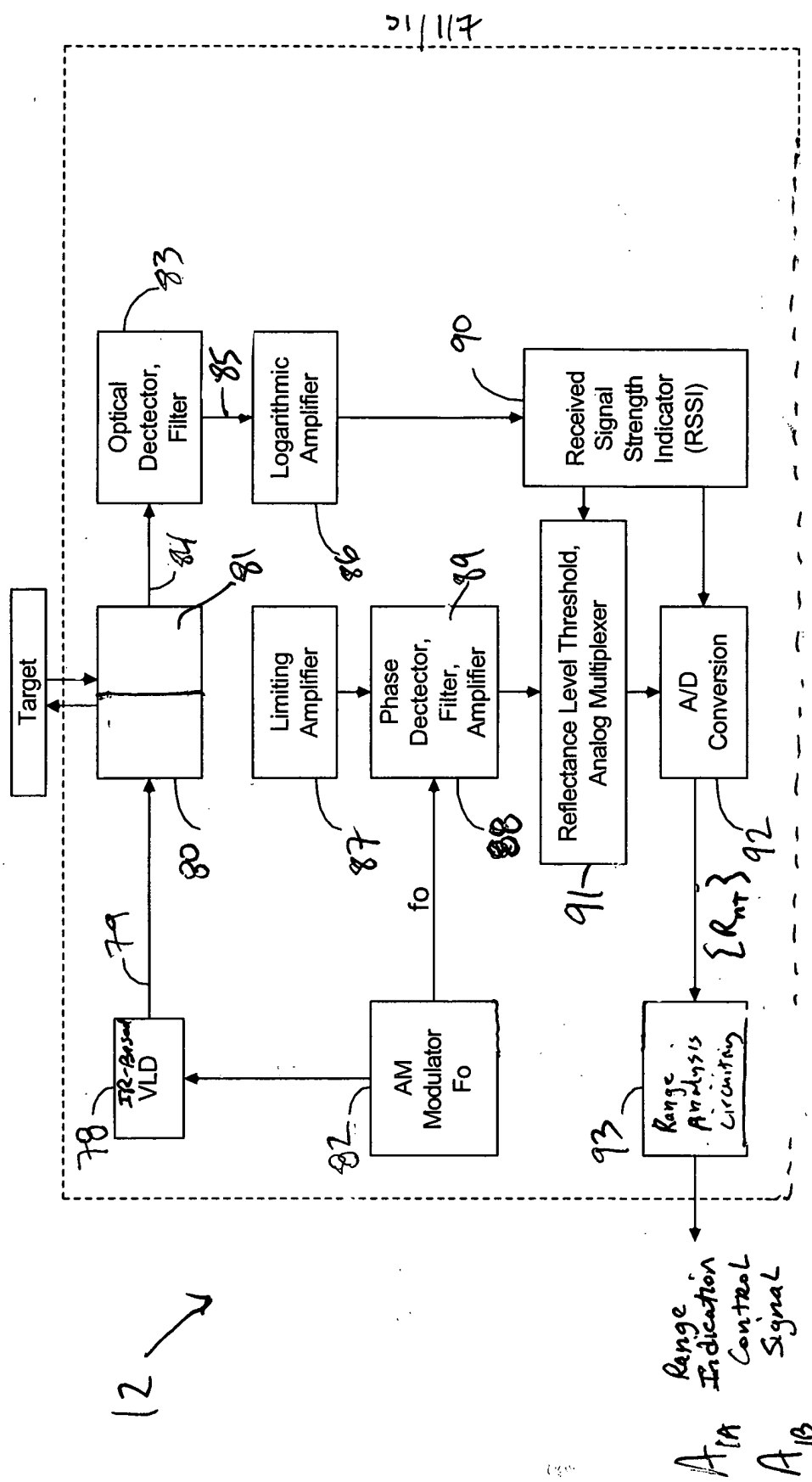


F

STEP: F: USE THE AUTO-EXPOSURE CONTROL SIGNAL AND THE ILLUMINATION ARRAY SELECTION CONTROL SIGNAL TO DRIVE THE SELECTED LED-BASED ILLUMINATION ARRAY AND GENERATE ILLUMINATION THEREFROM INTO THE FIELD OF VIEW OF THE CMOS IMAGE SENSING ARRAY, PRECISELY WHEN ALL ROWS OF PIXELS IN THE CMOS IMAGE SENSING ARRAY ARE IN A STATE OF INTEGRATION, THEREBY ENSURING THAT ALL ROWS OF PIXELS IN THE CMOS IMAGE SENSING ARRAY HAVE A COMMON INTEGRATION TIME.

FIG. 7E2

IR object presence & range detection



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(To System Control Subsystem (9))

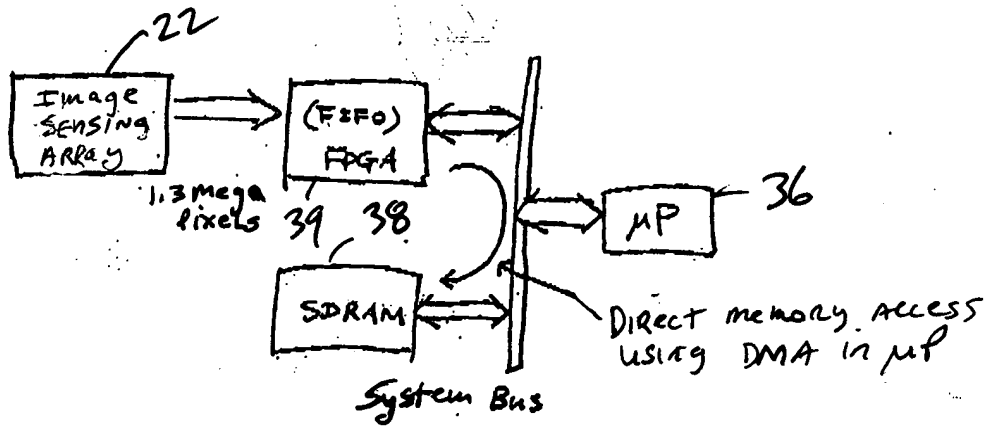


FIG. 9.

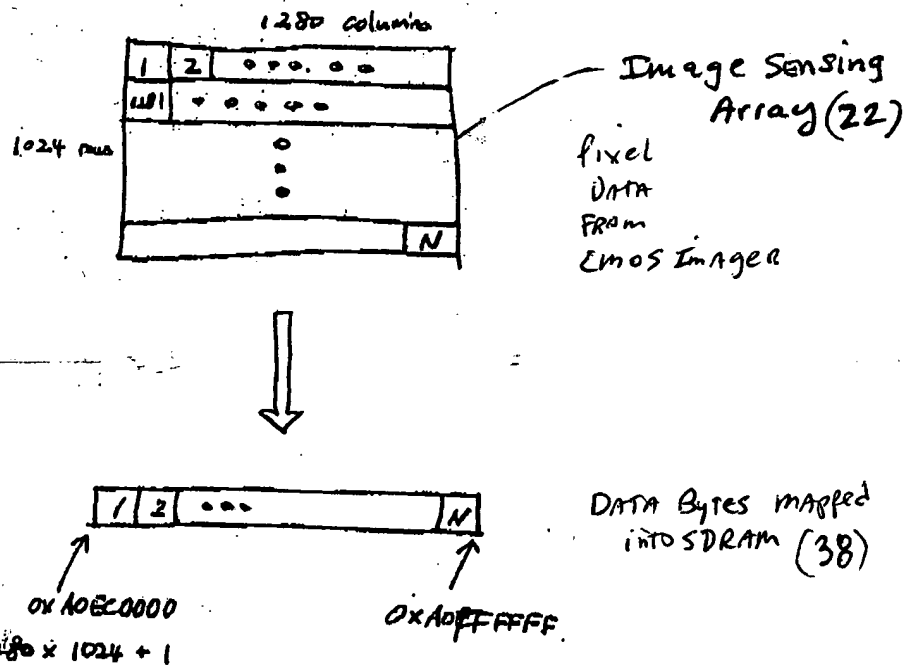
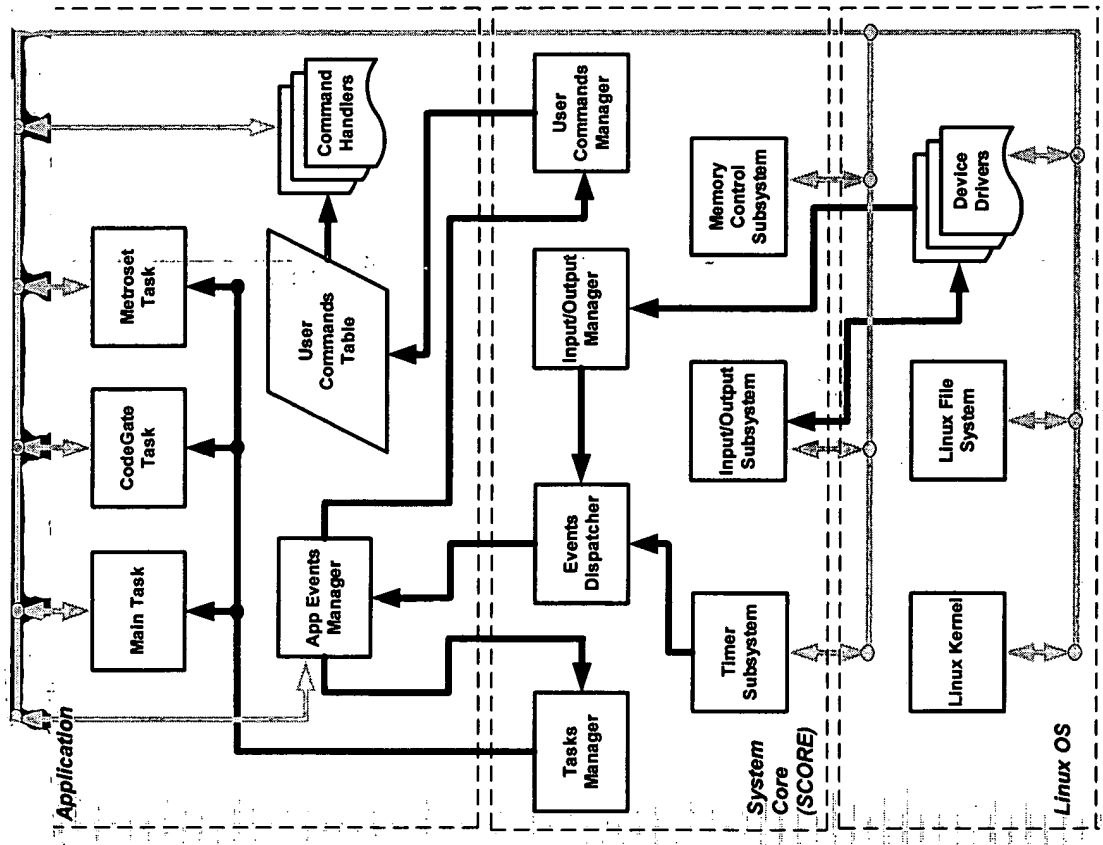


FIG. 10

Software Block Diagram



3-Tier Software Architecture:

- Linux OS
- System Core (SCORE) Software
- Product Application Software

FIG. 11

Events Dispatcher

Provides a means of signaling and delivering events to the App Events Manager

(pointer to App Events Manager is provided at the SCORE initialization)

```
int  
ScoreSignalEvent(int event_id, /* Input: event id */  
void * p_par); /* Input: pointer to the event's parameters */
```

App Events Manager is responsible for processing the event: It can start a new task, or stop currently running task, or do something or nothing and simply ignore the event.

Fig. 12.4

Examples of System-Defined Events

SCORE_EVENT_POWER_UP

Signals the completion of the system start-up. No parameters.

SCORE_EVENT_TIMEOUT

Signals the timeout of the logical timer. Parameter: pointer to timer id.

SCORE_EVENT_UNEXPECTED_INPUT

Signals that the unexpected input data is available. Parameter: pointer to connection id.

SCORE_EVENT_TRIG_ON

Signals that the user pulled the trigger. No parameters.

SCORE_EVENT_TRIG_OFF

Signals that the user released the trigger. No parameters.

SCORE_EVENT_OBJECT_DETECT_ON

Signals that the object is positioned under the camera. No parameters.

SCORE_EVENT_OBJECT_DETECT_OFF

Signals that the object is removed from the field-of view of the camera. No parameters.

SCORE_EVENT_EXIT_TASK and SCORE_EVENT_ABORT_TASK

Signal the end of the task execution. Parameter: pointer to the UTID.

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FIG. 12B

Tasks Manager

Provides a means of executing and stopping application specific tasks (threads)

```
typedef void *
(*TASK_FUNC)(void *params);

int
ScoreStartTask(TASK_FUNC task_func,
               int task_id,
               void *task_params,
               int task_owner,
               int task_priority,
               size_t stacksize,
               size_t heapsize,
               UTID *p_utid);

BOOL /* Return: TRUE if it kills the task, or FALSE if the task was not found */
ScoreKillTask(UTID pthread_id)
```

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/* Return: pointer to the set of returned parameters */
/* Input: set of input parameters */
/* Return: 0 if successful, otherwise error code */
/* Input: pointer to the task's main function */
/* Input: id assigned to the task by application */
/* Input: parameters passed to the task's main function */
/* Input: connection id of the task's owner */
/* Input: task's priority (must be 0 for now) */
/* Input: size of the stack, or 0 for default size */
/* Input: size of the heap, or 0 for default size */
/* Output: unique task identifier */
/* Input: unique task identifier */

FIG 12C

Input / Output Manager

- High priority thread running in the background and monitoring activities of the external devices and user connections
- Signals appropriate events to the application when such activities are detected

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FIG. 12D

Input / Output Subsystem

Provides a means of creating and deleting
input/output connections...

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```
int  
ScorelOmngCreateConnection(int conn_type, /* Return: connection id if successful, otherwise (-1) */  
int fd, /* Input: file descriptor of a device or a socket */  
int conn_state, /* Input: initial state of the connection, the value controlled by application */  
void *properties); /* Input: pointer to the connection properties */  
  
int  
ScorelInitRS232(char *full_name, /* Return: connection id if successful, otherwise (-1) */  
RS232_PROP *rs232_prop); /* Input: full name of the device, such as "/dev/ttyS0" */  
/* Input: RS232 parameters */
```

FIG. 12E1

Input / Output Subsystem

...and communicating with the outside world

```
int
ScorelomngrGetData(int connection_id, /* Return: number of bytes received */
                  char *input_buffer, /* Input: connection id, or -1 for the task owner */
                  int min_len, /* Input: pointer to the input buffer */
                  int max_len, /* Input: minimum number of bytes to receive */
                  BOOL echo, /* Input: maximum number of bytes to receive */
                  int timeout_ms); /* Input: TRUE if data should be echoed back to device, otherwise FALSE */
/* Input: If not 0, number of milliseconds to wait */
```

```
int
ScorelomngrSendData(int connection_id, /* Return: 0 if successful, or (-1) in case of error */
                   char *p_data, /* Input: connection id */
                   int len); /* Input: pointer to the data buffer */
/* Input: number of bytes to send */
```

```
void
ScorelomngrSendStream(int stream_type, /* Input: type of output stream */
                     char *p_data, /* Input: pointer to the data buffer */
                     int len); /* Input: number of bytes to send */
```

FIG. 12E2

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Timer Subsystem

Provides a means of creating, deleting...

```
int
ScoreCreateTimer(int flags);          /* Return: timer id if successful, otherwise (-1) */
                                      /* Input: optional SCORE_TIMER_CONTINUOUS */

void
ScoreDeleteTimer(int timer_id);       /* Input: timer id, must be >= 0 */

int
ScoreStartTimer(int timer_id,
                int time_ms);          /* Return: 0 if successful, otherwise (-1) */
                                      /* Input: timer id */
                                      /* Input: timer value, in ms */

int
ScoreStopTimer(int timer_id);         /* Return: 0 if successful, otherwise (-1) */
                                      /* Input: timer id */
```

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FIG. 12 F1

Timer Subsystem

...and utilizing logical timers

```
BOOL                                     /* Return: TRUE if the timer timed out, otherwise FALSE */
ScoreTimerTimedOut(int timer_id);      /* Input: timer id */

int                                     /* Return: time (in ms) left before the timer times out, or (-1) in case of error */
ScoreGetTimeLeft(int timer_id);       /* Input: timer id */

int                                     /* Return: time (in ms) gone since the timer has been started (or restarted), or (-1) in case of error */
ScoreGetTime(int timer_id);          /* Input: timer id */

BOOL                                     /* Return: TRUE if timer is stopped, otherwise FALSE */
ScoreIsTimerStopped(int timer_id);   /* Input: timer id */
```

Fig. 12Fz

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Memory Control Subsystem

Provides a thread-level dynamic memory management (the interfaces fully compatible with standard dynamic memory management functions)...

```
void *
ScoreMalloc(size_t size);          /* Return: pointer to the allocated memory if successful, otherwise NULL */

void
ScoreFree(void *mem);             /* Input: pointer to the memory to be freed */
```

FIG. 1261

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Memory Control Subsystem

as well as a means of buffering the data

```
int
ScoreCreateOutMem(SCORE_OUTP_MEM *p_outp_mem); /* Return: 0 if successful */
/* Input: pointer to buffered memory structure */

void
ScoreDestroyOutMem(SCORE_OUTP_MEM *p_outp_mem); /* Input: pointer to buffered memory structure */

int
ScoreWriteToOutMem(SCORE_OUTP_MEM *p_outp_mem, void *p_data, size_t len); /* Return: 0 if successful */
/* Input: pointer to buffered memory structure */
/* Input: pointer to the data to be buffered up for output */
/* Input: size of the data, in bytes */

int
ScoreSendDataFromOutMem(int connection_id, SCORE_OUTP_MEM *p_outp_mem); /* Return: 0 if successful */
/* Input: id of the connection to send the data to */
/* Input: pointer to buffered memory structure */

int
ScoreSendStreamFromOutMem(int stream_type, SCORE_OUTP_MEM *p_outp_mem); /* Return: 0 if successful */
/* Input: type of output stream */
/* Input: pointer to buffered memory structure */
```

FIG. 1262

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User Commands Manager

Provides a standard way of entering user commands and executing application modules responsible for handling them

(pointer to User Commands Table is provided at the SCORE initialization)

```
int  
ScoreCmdManager(void *params);
```

```
/* Input: user command manager task */  
/* Input: id assigned to the commands manager */  
/* Input: connection id of the owner */  
/* Input: priority */  
/* Input: stack size */  
/* Input: heap size */  
/* Output: unique task identifier */  
ScoreCmdManager(Task *task, int id, int connection_id, int priority, int stack_size, int heap_size, int unique_task_id);
```

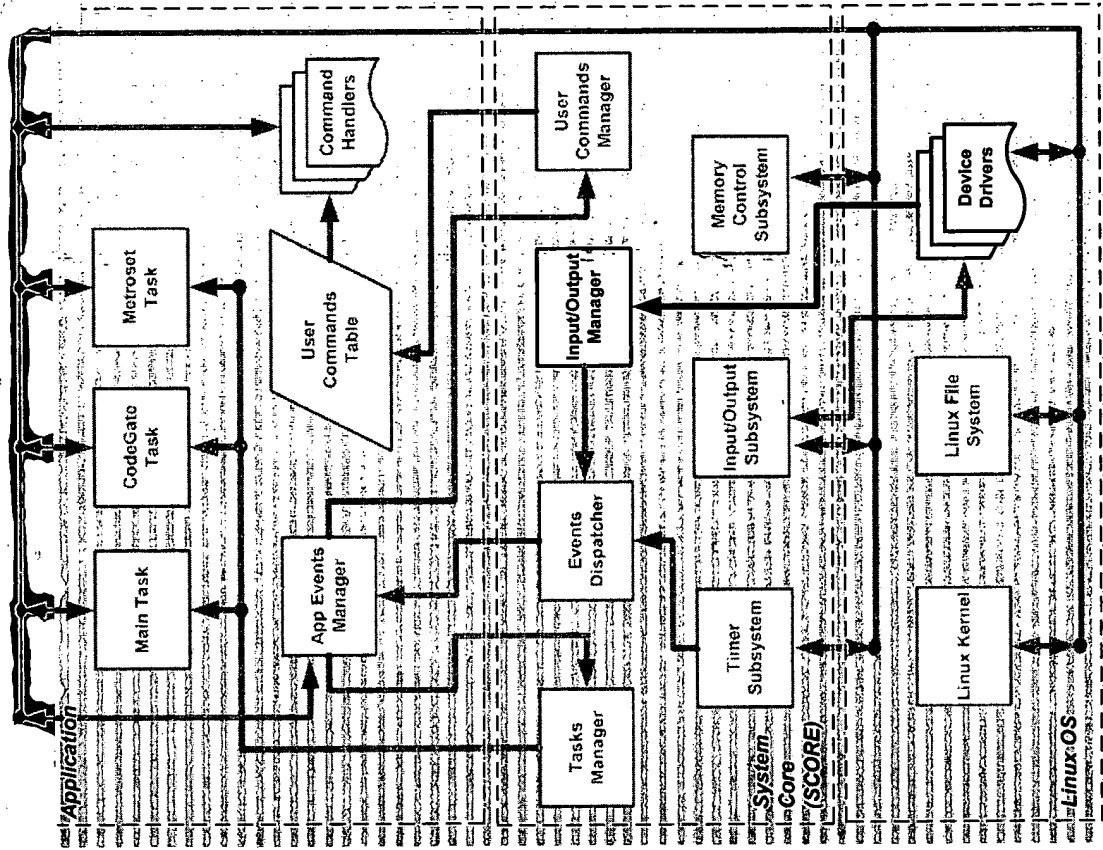
FIG. 12H

Device Drivers

- **Trigger driver** -- establishes software connection with the hardware trigger
- **Image acquisition driver** -- implements image acquisition functionality
- **IR driver** -- implements object detection functionality

FIG. 12I

Example of Flow of Events

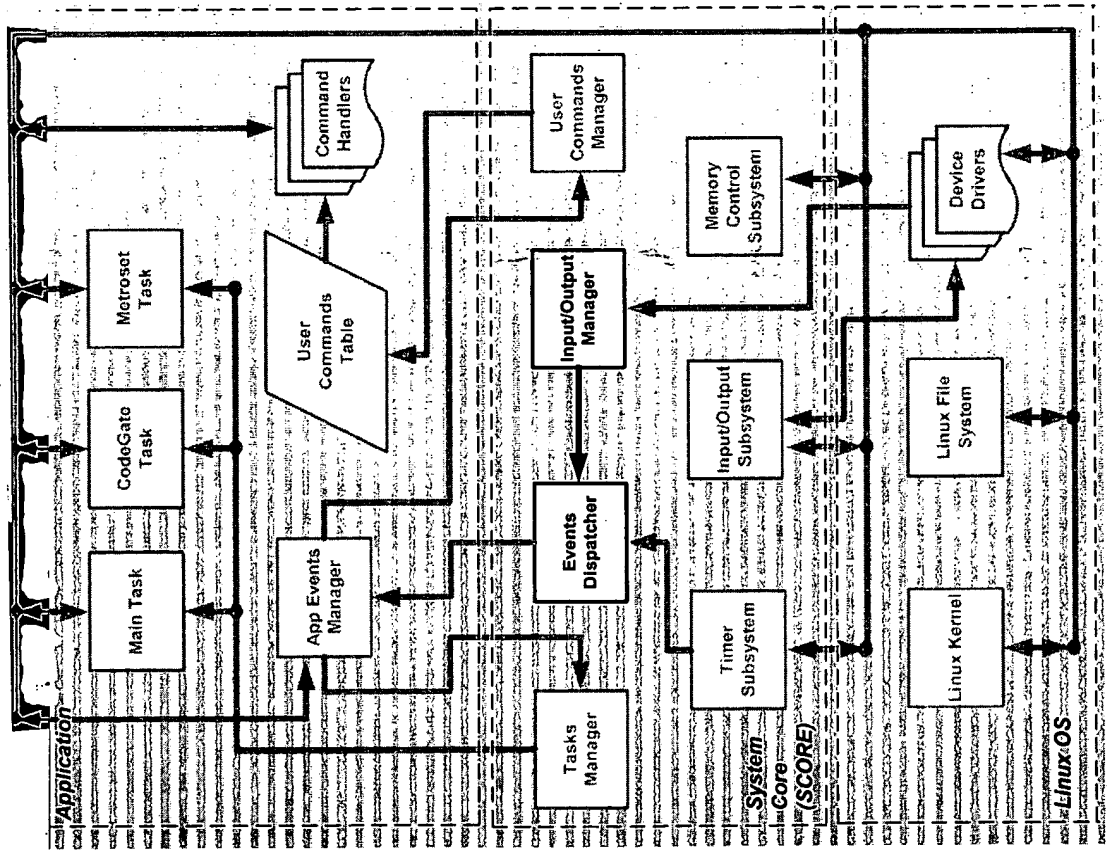


- User points the scanner towards a barcode label
- Object is detected
- The IR device driver wakes up the Input/Output Manager

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FIG. 13A

Example of Flow of Events

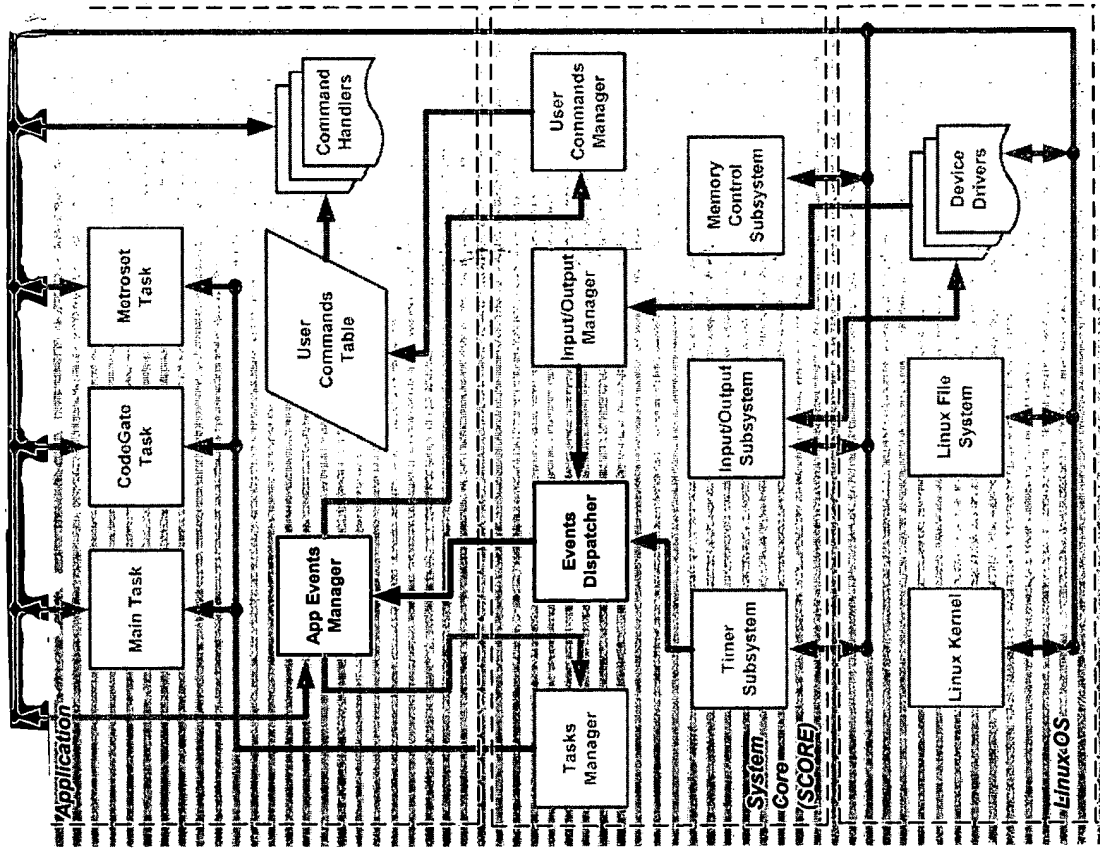


- The Input/Output Manager posts the SCORE_OBJECT_DETECT_ON event

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FIG. 13B

Example of Flow of Events

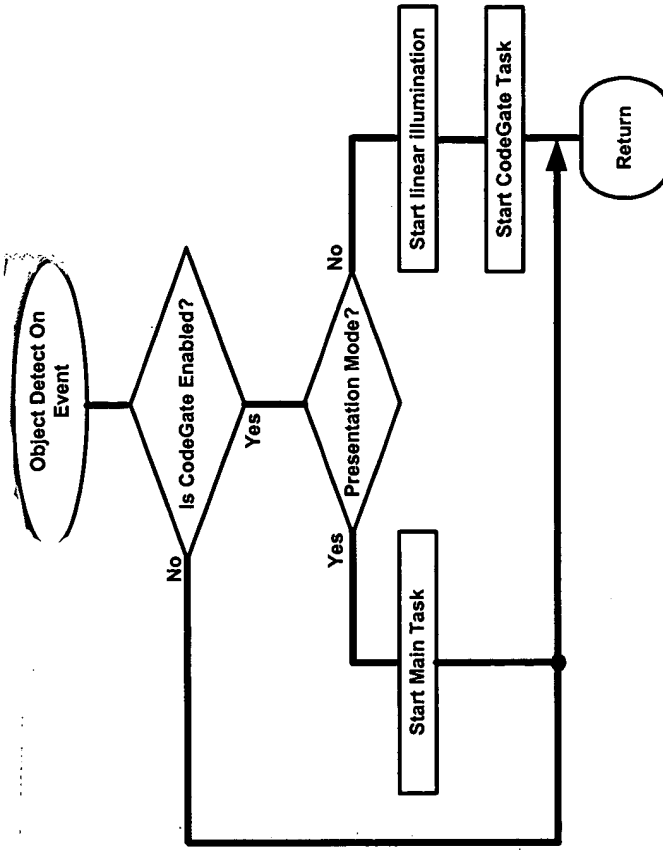
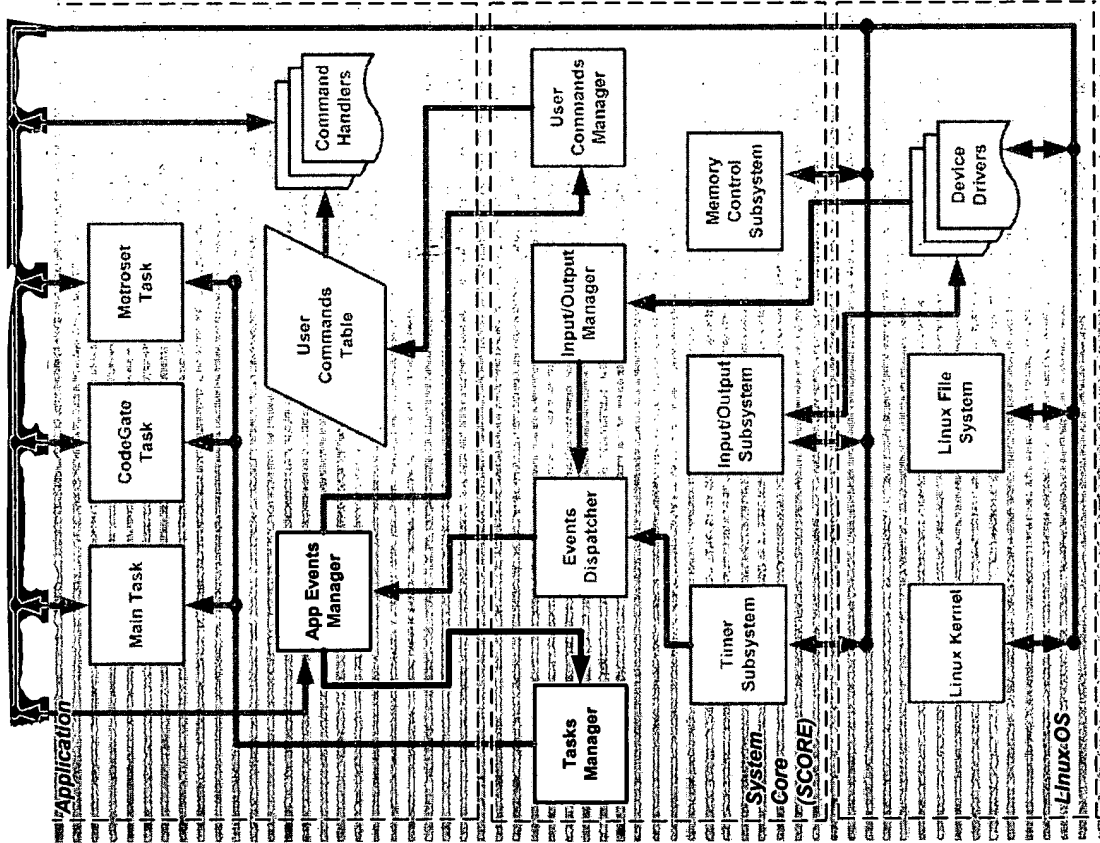


- The Events Dispatcher passes the SCORE_OBJECT_DETECT_ON event to the application

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FIG. 13C

Example of Flow of Events



- The SCORE_OBJECT_DETECT_ON_event handling routine starts linear illumination and executes the CodeGate Task

FIG. 13D

Example of Flow of Events

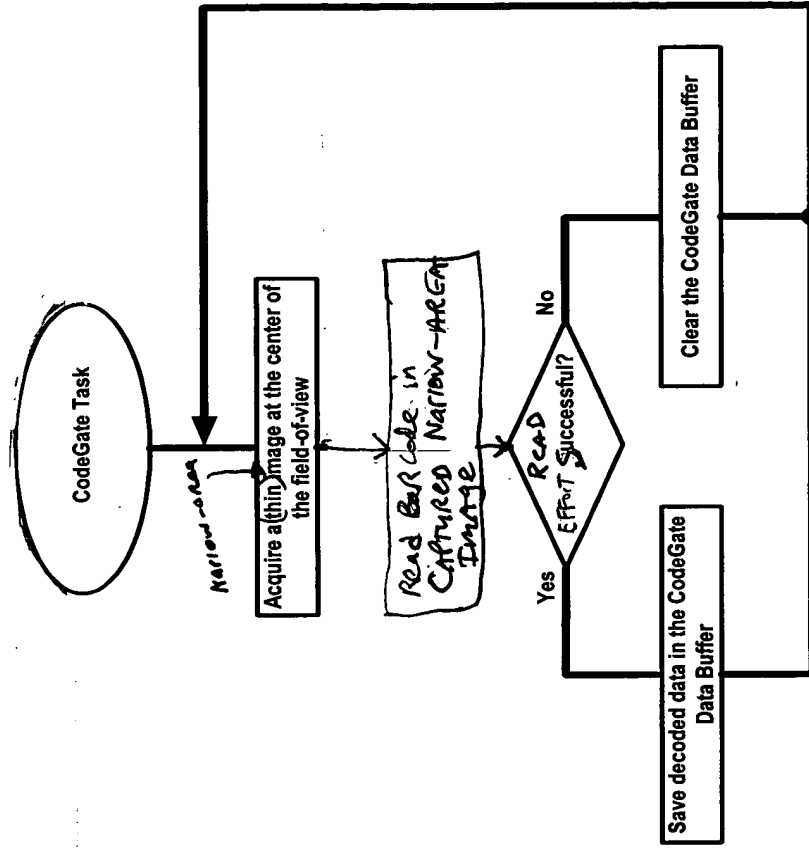
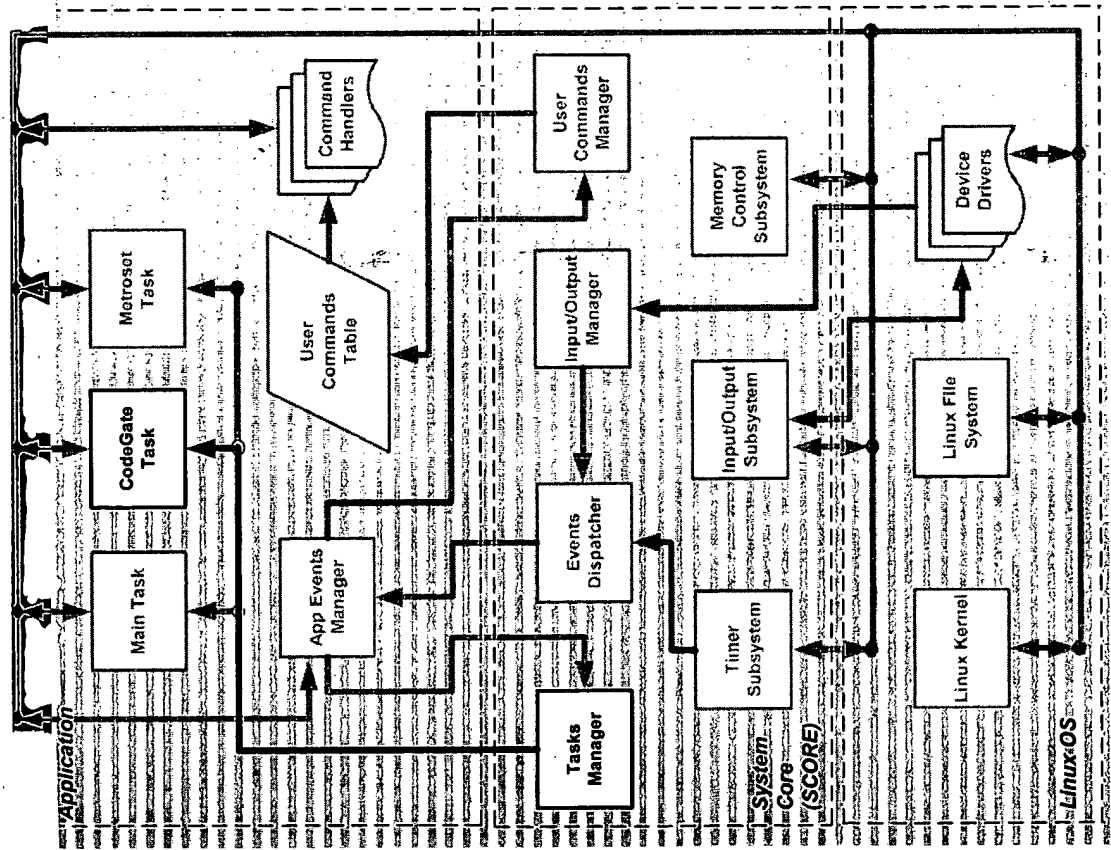
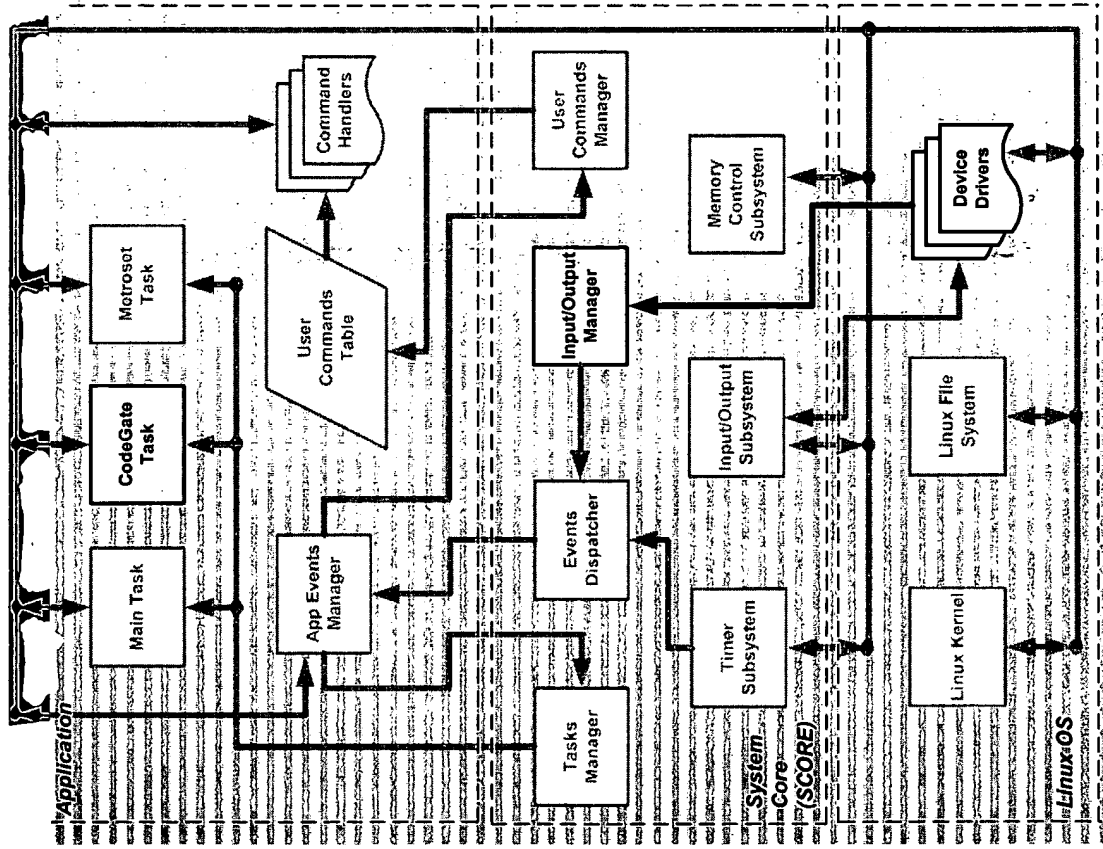


FIG. 13E

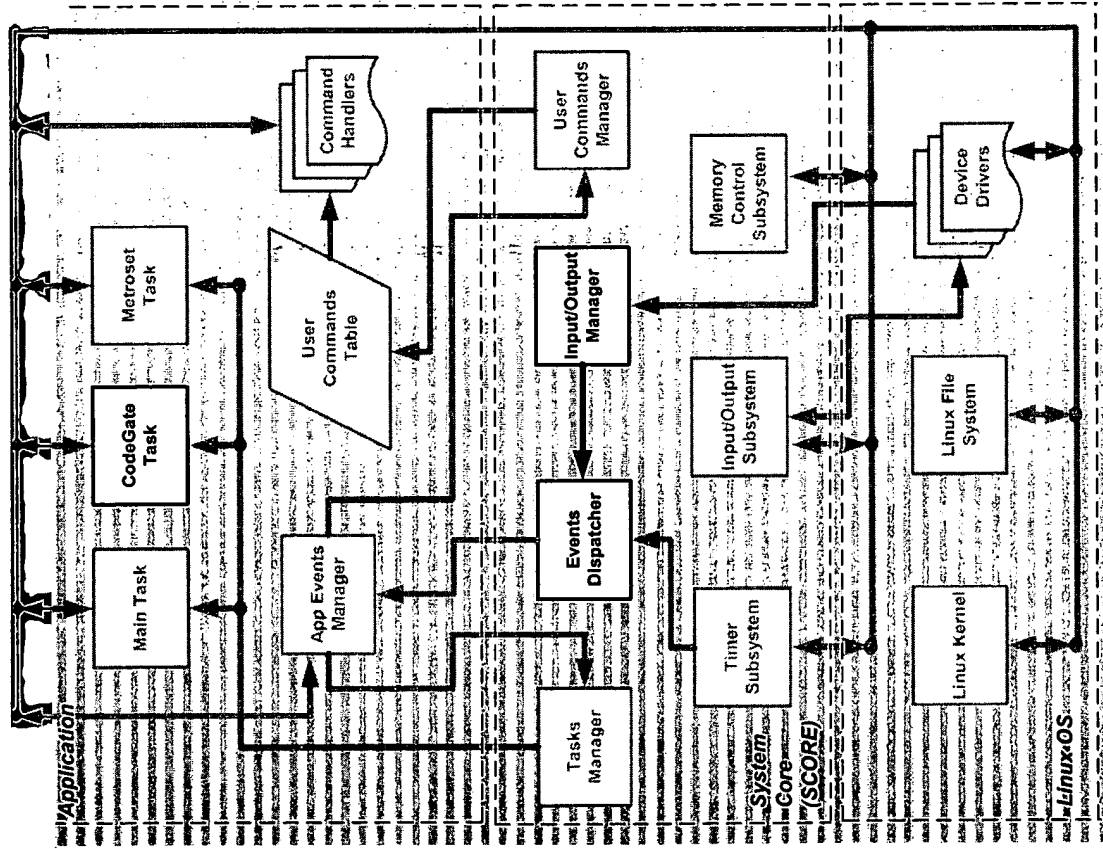
Example of Flow of Events



- User pulls the trigger
- The trigger device driver wakes up the Input/Output Manager

FIG. 13F

Example of Flow of Events



- The Input/Output Manager posts the SCORE_TRIGGER_ON event

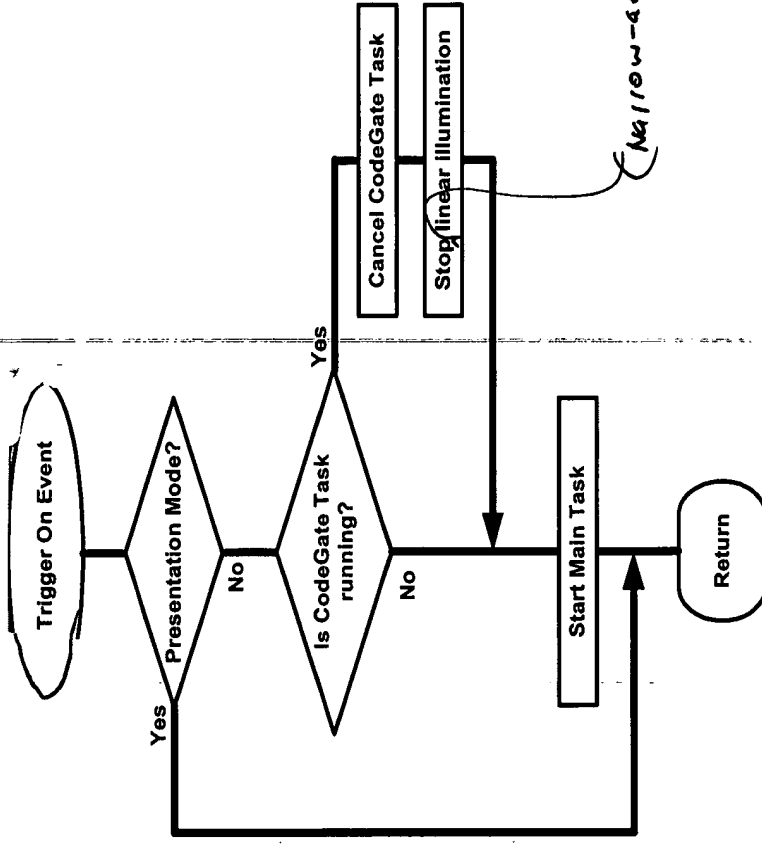
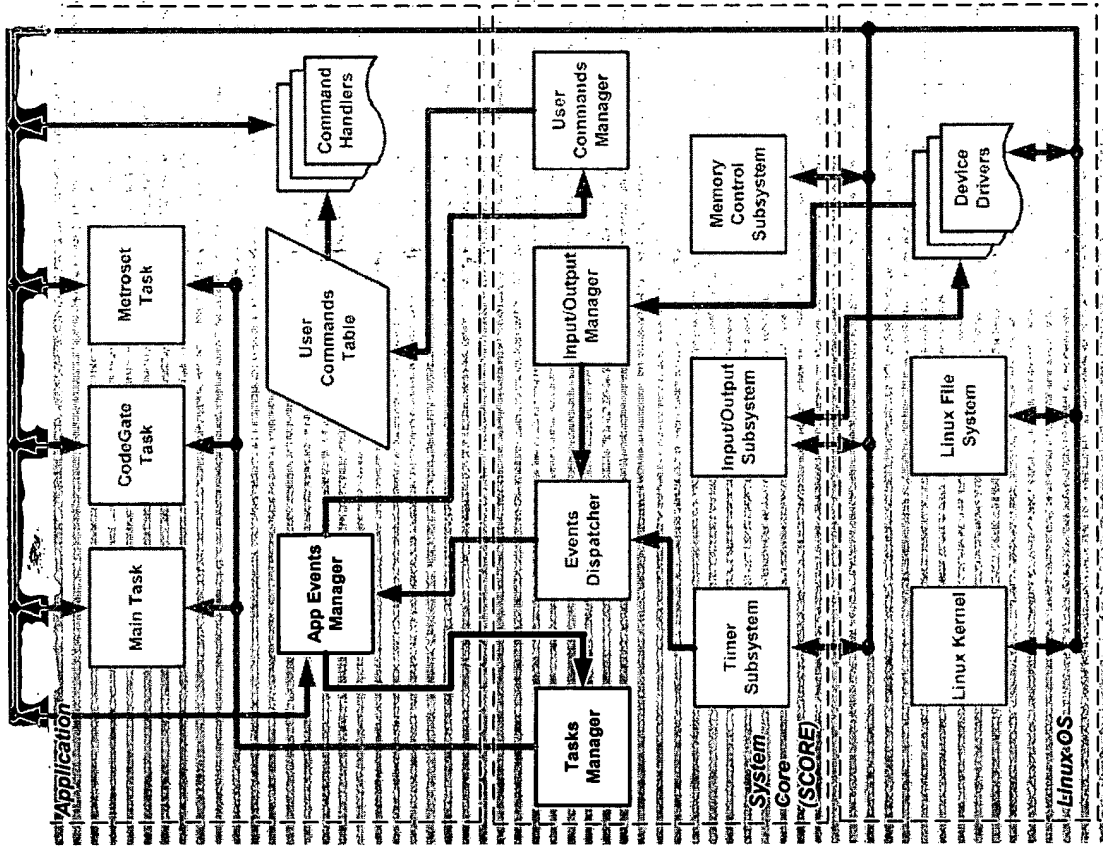
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FIG. 13G

Example of Flow of Events

- **The Events Dispatcher passes the SCORE_TRIGGER_ON event to the application**

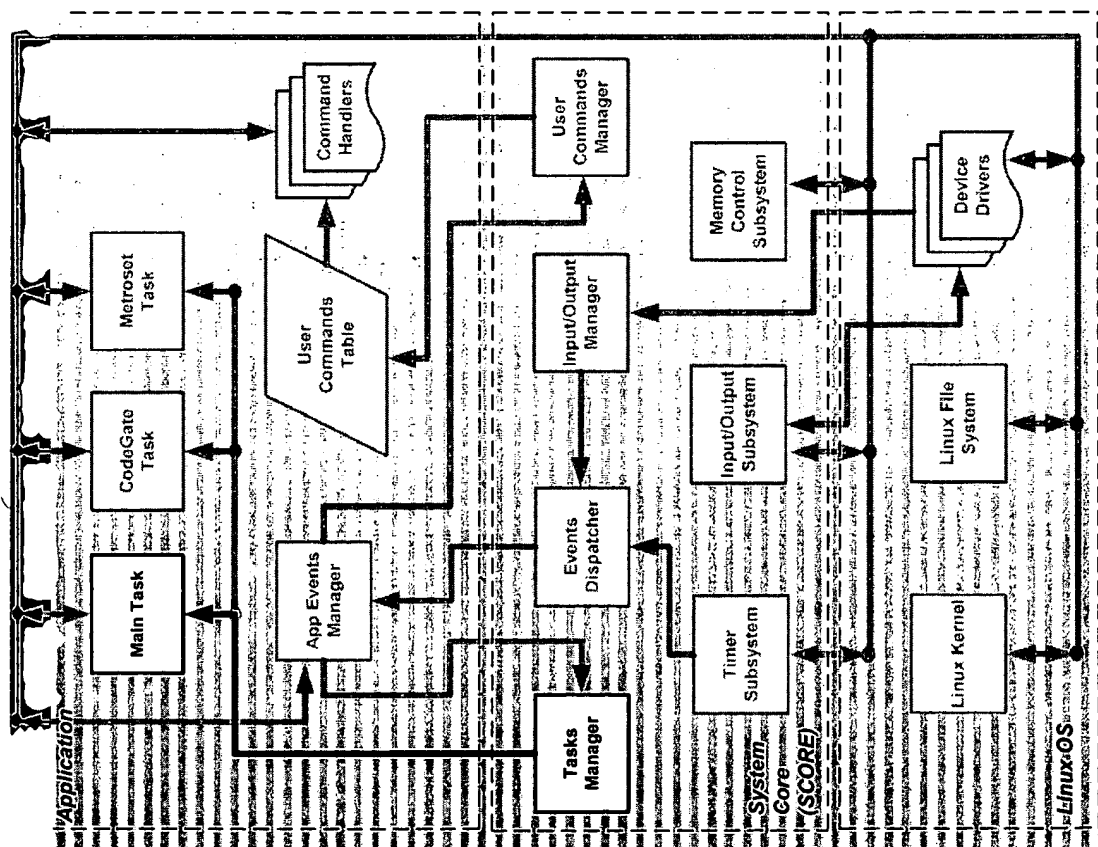
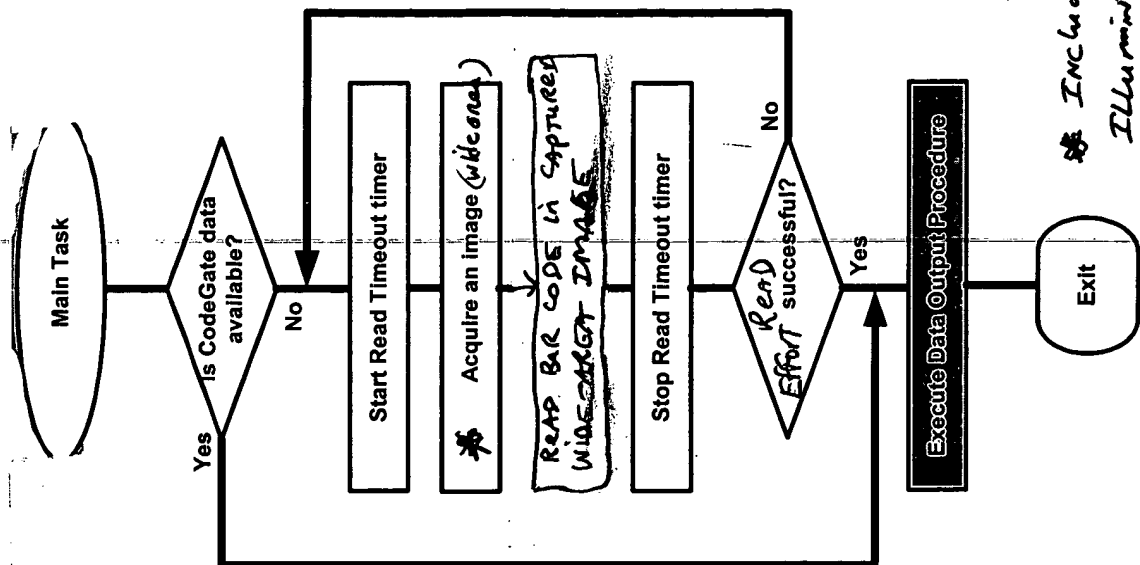
Example of Flow of Events



- The SCORE_TRIGGER_ON event handling routine stops linear illumination, cancels the CodeGate Task, and executes the Main Task

FIG. 13I

Example of Flow of Events



Example of Flow of Events

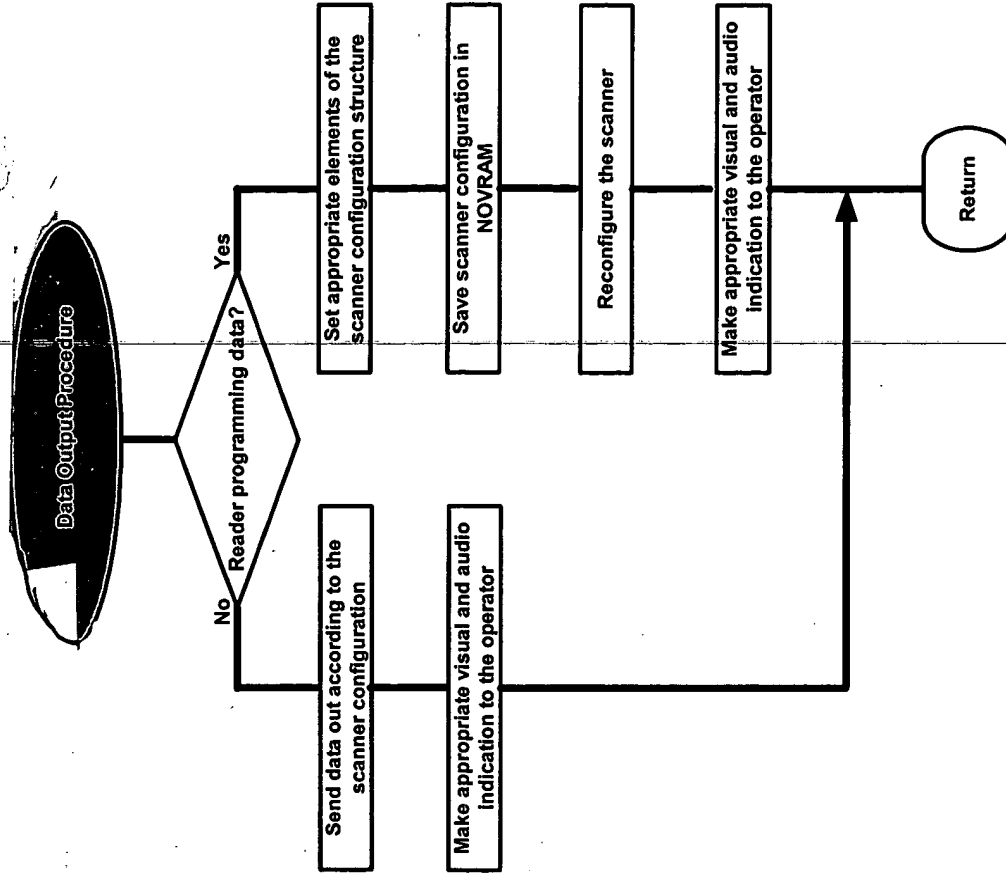
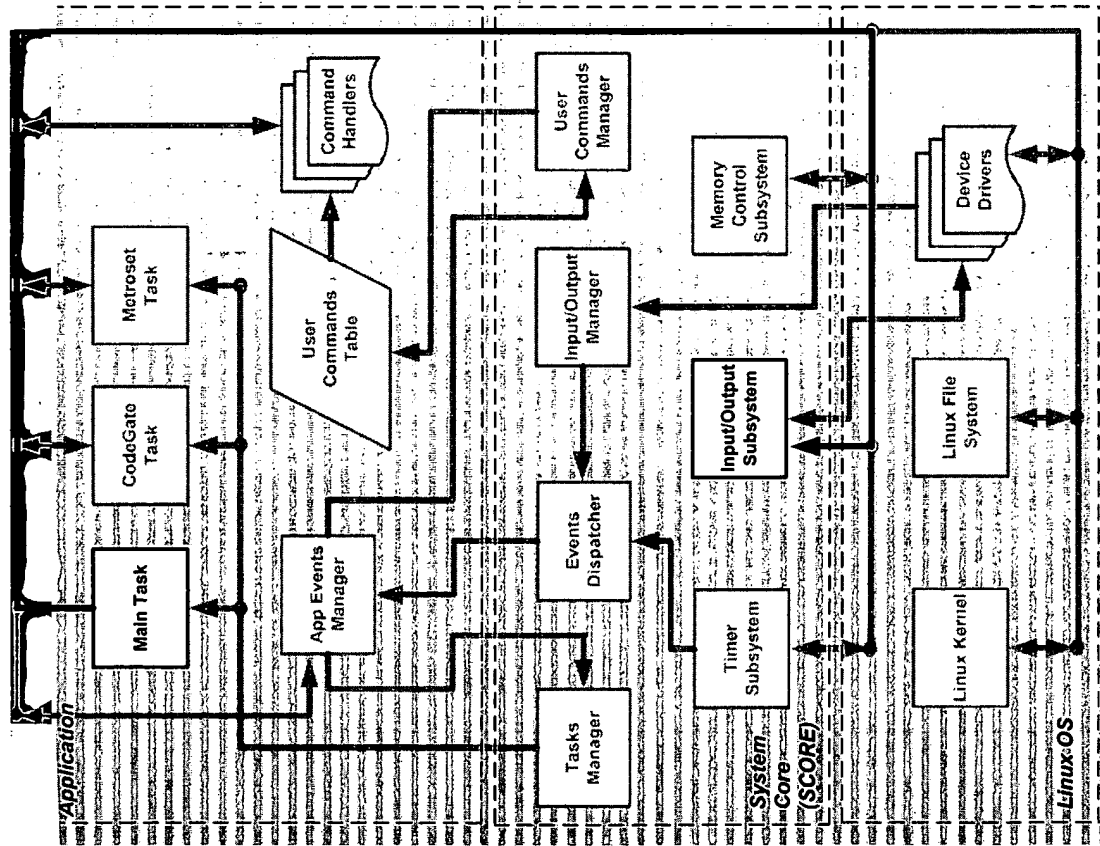
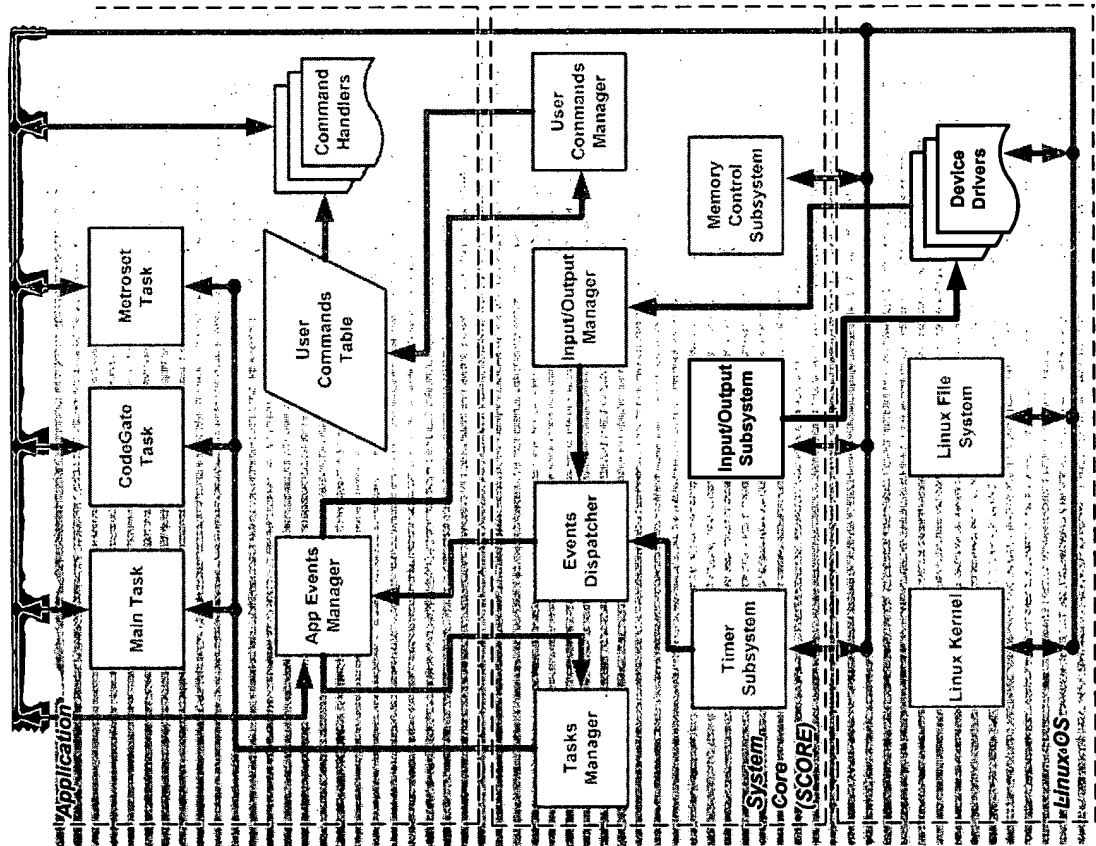


FIG. 13K

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Example of Flow of Events



- The decoded data is sent to the user

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FIG 13L

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FIG. 13M

METHOD OF ILLUMINATING OBJECTS WITHOUT SPECULAR REFLECTION

STEP A: USE THE AUTOMATIC LIGHT EXPOSURE MEASUREMENT AND CONTROL SUBSYSTEM TO MEASURE THE LIGHT LEVEL TO WHICH THE CMOS IMAGE SENSING ARRAY IS EXPOSED.

STEP B: USE THE AUTOMATIC IR-BASED OBJECT PRESENCE AND RANGE DETECTION SUBSYSTEM TO MEASURE THE PRESENCE AND RANGE OF THE OBJECT IN EITHER THE NEAR OR FAR FIELD PORTION OF THE FIELD OF VIEW (FOV) OF THE SYSTEM.

STEP C: USE THE DETECTED RANGE AND THE MEASURED LIGHT EXPOSURE LEVEL TO DRIVE BOTH THE UPPER AND LOWER LED SUBARRAYS ASSOCIATED WITH EITHER THE NEAR OR FAR FIELD WIDE AREA ILLUMINATION ARRAY.

STEP D: CAPTURE A WIDE-AREA IMAGE AT THE CMOS IMAGE SENSING ARRAY USING THE ILLUMINATION FIELD PRODUCED DURING STEP C.

STEP E: RAPIDLY PROCESS THE CAPTURED WIDE-AREA IMAGE DURING STEP D TO DETECT THE OCCURANCE OF HIGH SPATIAL-INTENSITY LEVELS IN THE CAPTURED WIDE-AREA IMAGE, INDICATIVE OF A SPECULAR REFLECTION CONDITION.

STEP F:

IF A SPECULAR REFLECTION CONDITION IS DETECTED IN THE PROCESSED WIDE-AREA IMAGE, THEN DRIVE ONLY THE UPPER LED SUBARRAY ASSOCIATED WITH EITHER THE NEAR FIELD OR FAR FIELD WIDE AREA ILLUMINATION ARRAY.

IF A SPECULAR REFLECTION CONDITION IS NOT DETECTED IN THE PROCESSED WIDE-AREA IMAGE, THEN USE THE DETECTED RANGE AND THE MEASURED LIGHT EXPOSURE LEVEL TO DRIVE BOTH THE UPPER AND LOWER LED SUBARRAYS ASSOCIATED WITH EITHER THE NEAR FIELD OR FAR FIELD WIDE AREA ILLUMINATION ARRAY.

FIG. 13M1

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STEP G: CAPTURE A WIDE-AREA IMAGE AT THE CMOS IMAGE SENSING ARRAY USING THE ILLUMINATION FIELD PRODUCED DURING STEP F.

~~STEP H: RAPIDLY PROCESS THE CAPTURED WIDE-AREA IMAGE DURING STEP G TO DETECT THE OCCURANCE OF HIGH SPATIAL-INTENSITY LEVELS IN THE CAPTURED WIDE-AREA IMAGE, INDICATIVE OF A SPECULAR REFLECTION CONDITION.~~

STEP I:

IF A SPECULAR REFLECTION CONDITION IS STILL DETECTED IN THE PROCESSED WIDE-AREA IMAGE, THEN DRIVE THE OTHER LED SUBARRAY ASSOCIATED WITH EITHER THE NEAR FIELD OR FAR FIELD WIDE AREA ILLUMINATION ARRAY.

IF A SPECULAR REFLECTION CONDITION IS NOT DETECTED IN THE PROCESSED WIDE-AREA IMAGE, THEN DRIVE USE THE DETECTED RANGE AND THE MEASURED LIGHT EXPOSURE LEVEL TO DRIVE THE SAME LED SUBARRAY (AS IN STEP C) ASSOCIATED WITH EITHER THE NEAR FIELD OR FAR FIELD WIDE AREA ILLUMINATION ARRAY.

STEP J: CAPTURE A WIDE-AREA IMAGE AT THE CMOS IMAGE SENSING ARRAY USING THE ILLUMINATION FIELD PRODUCED DURING STEP I.

detect the
STEP K: RAPIDLY PROCESS THE CAPTURED WIDE-AREA IMAGE DURING STEP J TO ~~ABSENCE~~ OF HIGH SPATIAL-INTENSITY LEVELS IN THE CAPTURED WIDE-AREA IMAGE, CONFIRMING THE ELIMINATION OF THE ONCE DETECTED SPECULAR REFLECTION CONDITION.

FIG. 13M2

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STEP L:

IF NO SPECULAR REFLECTION CONDITION IS DETECTED IN THE PROCESSED WIDE-AREA IMAGE AT STEP K, THEN PROCESS THE WIDE-AREA IMAGE USING MODE(S) SELECTED FOR THE MULTI-MODE IMAGE-PROCESSING BAR CODE READING SUBSYSTEM.

IF A SPECULAR REFLECTION CONDITION IS STILL DETECTED IN THE PROCESSED WIDE-AREA IMAGE, THEN RETURN TO STEP A REPEAT STEPS A THROUGH K.

FIG. 13M3

Symbologies READABLE BY Multi-MODE BAR CODE SYMBOL Reading Subsystem

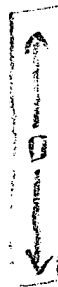
(1) Code 128	(2) Code 39	(3) I2of5
(4) Code93	(5) Codabar	(6) UPC/EAN
(7) Telepen	(8) UK-Plessey	(9) Trioptic
(10) Matrix 2of5	(11) Airline 2of5	(12) Straight 2of5
(13) MSI-Plessey	(14) Code11	(15) PDF417

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FIG. 14

Modes of operation of Multi-Mode Bar Code Reading Subsystem

- Automatic – look for multiple barcodes incrementally and continue looking until entire image is processed
- Manual – look for a programmable number of barcodes starting from center of image
- NoFinder – look for one barcode in picket-fence orientation starting from center of image
- OmniScan – look for one barcode along pre-determined orientations



• ROI-specific – Method look for bar code at specified Region of Interest (ROI) in captured image. FIG. 15

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setup and cleanup flow-chart

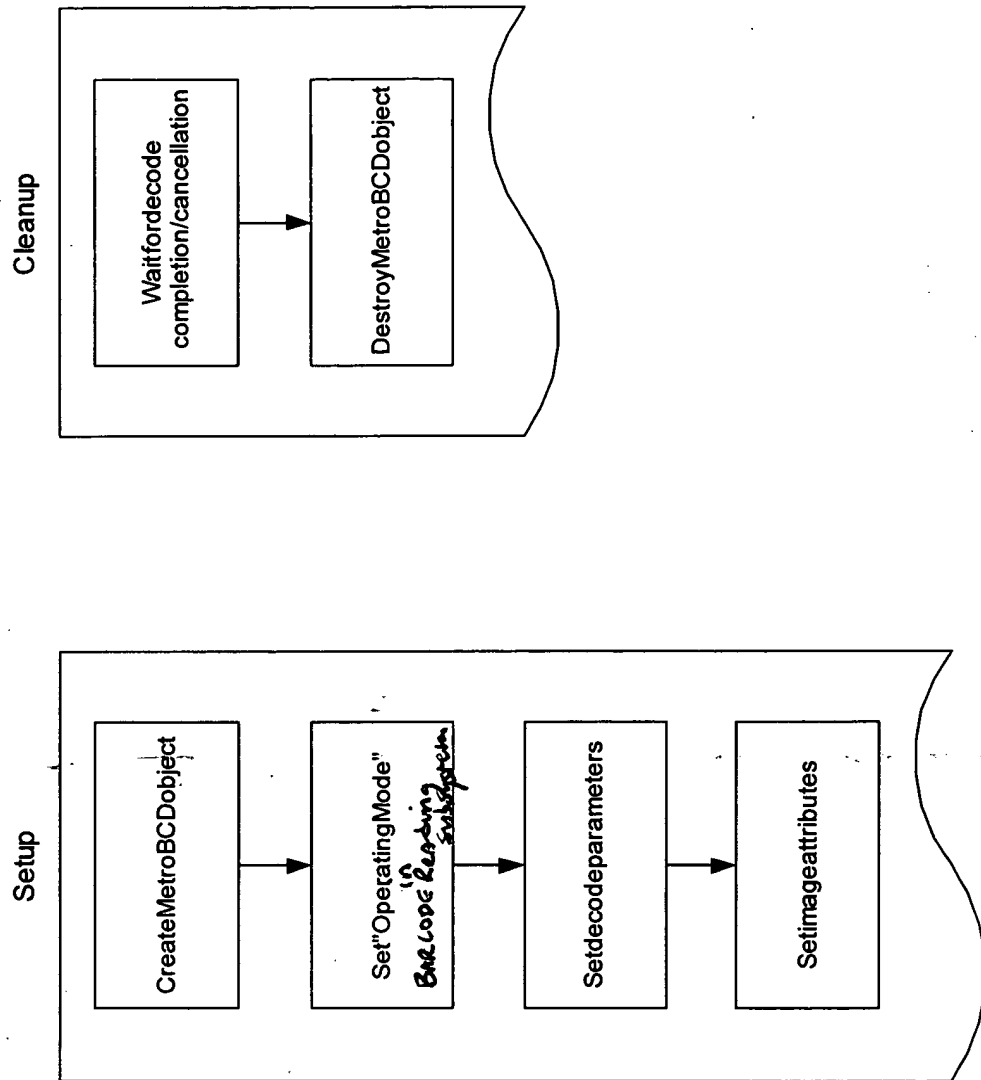


FIG. 16

Summary of Automatic mode

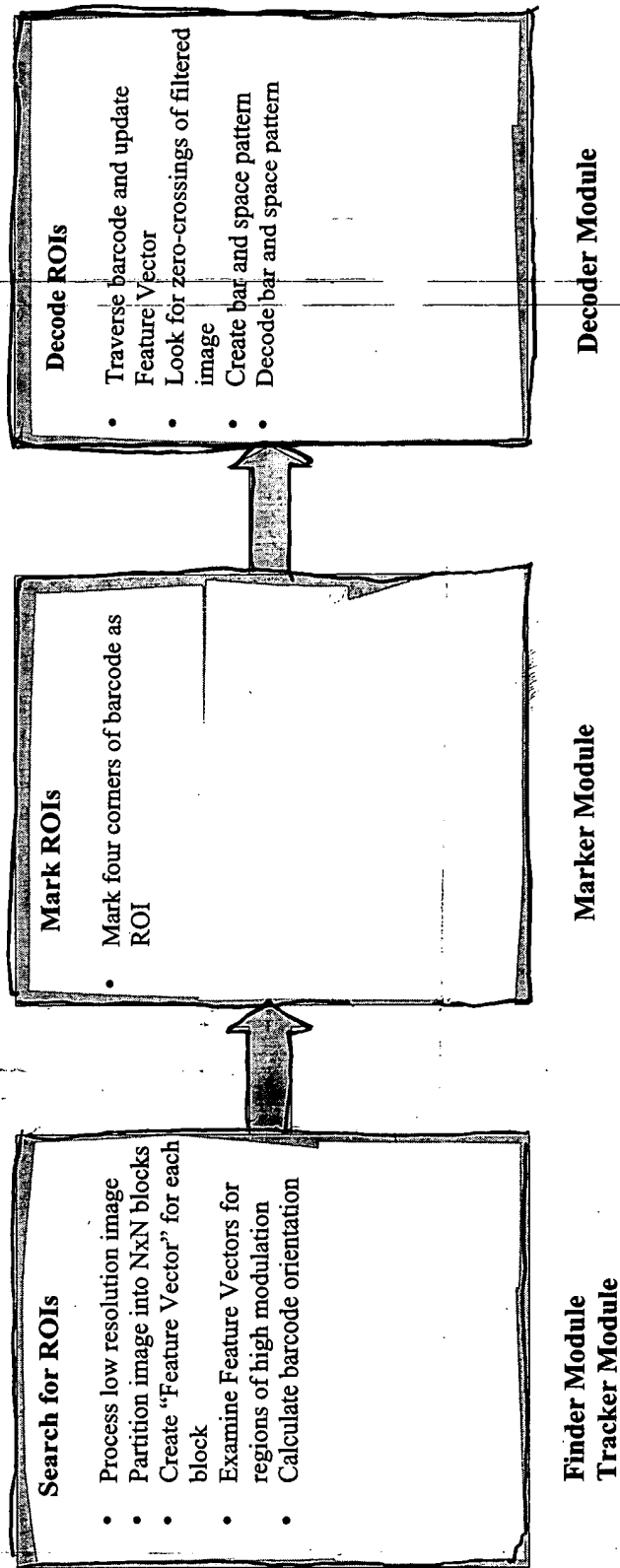


FIG. 17A

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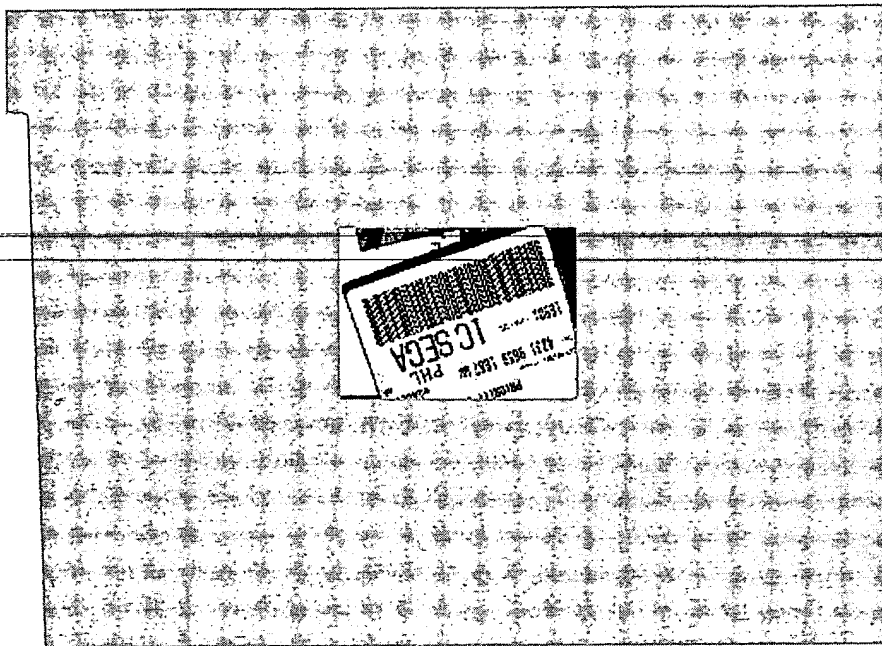
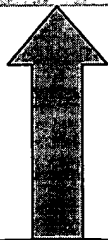


Fig 17B

Step 1: Search for ROIs: Low resolution processing



Original Image



Low-Resolution Image

FIG. 18A

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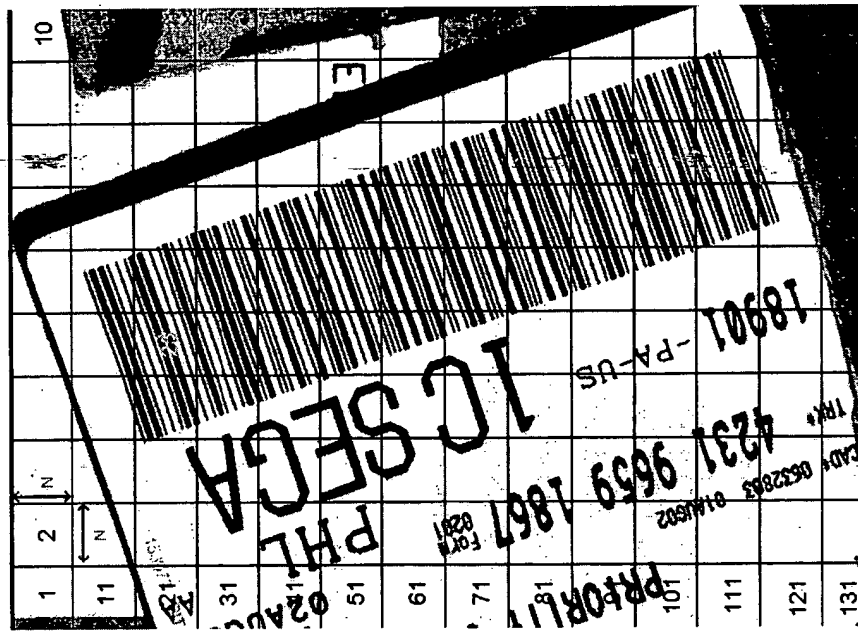
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- Image overlaid with XY grid
- Each block formed by grids has an associated “feature vector” (Fv)
- Feature vectors are analyzed for the presence of parallel lines
- All feature vector calculations are performed on the low-resolution image

FIG. 18B

Step 3: Search for ROIs: Create feature vectors



Fv =

- Gradient vectors
- Edge density
- Number of parallel edge vectors
- Centroid of edgels
- Intensity variance
- Histogram of intensities

FIG. 18C

Step 4: Mark ROIs: Examine feature vectors

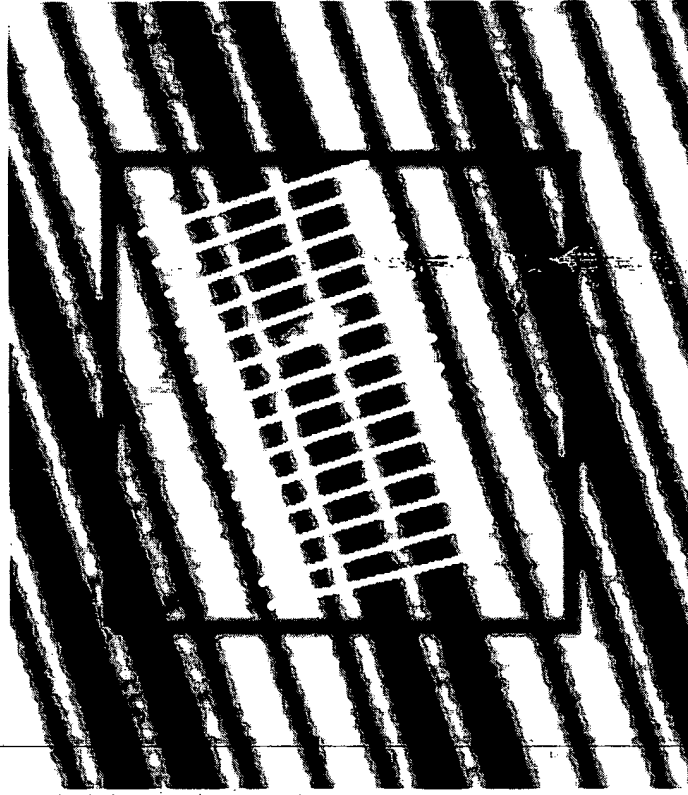


- High edge density
- Large number of parallel edge vectors
- Large intensity variance

FIG. 18D

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Step 5: Mark ROIs: Calculate barcode orientation

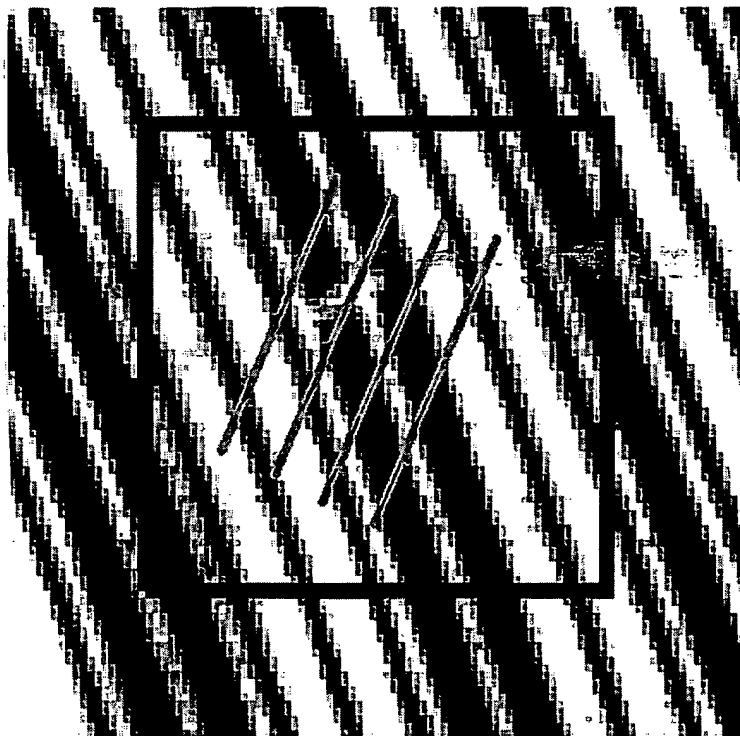


- Within each “feature vector” block the barcode is traversed (“sliced”) at different angles
- The slices are matched with each other based on “least mean square error”
- The correct orientation is that angle that matches in a “mean square error” sense every slice of the barcode

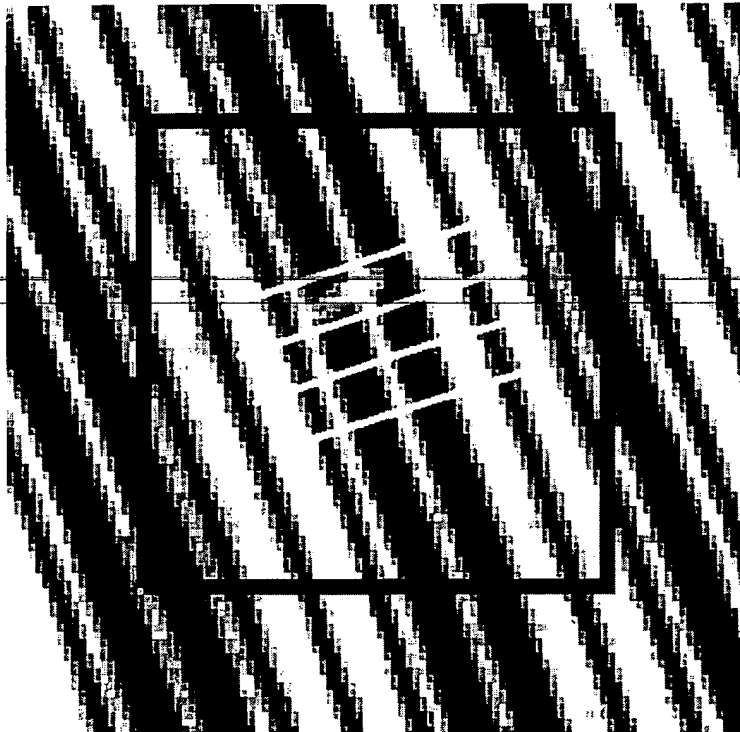
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FIG. 18E

Step 5: Mark ROIs: Calculate barcode orientation



High mean square error
between slices



Lowest mean square error
between slices
- Correct orientation

FIG. 18F

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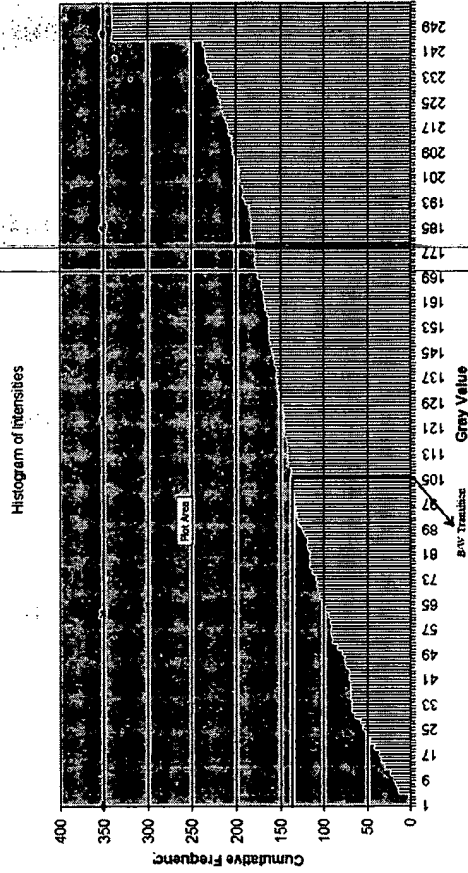
Step 6: Mark ROIs: Mark four corners of barcode

- From here on all operations are performed on the full-resolution image
- Barcode is traversed in either direction starting from center of block
- Using intensity variance the extent of modulation is detected (1 & 2)
- Starting from 1 & 2 and moving perpendicular to barcode orientation the four corners are determined (3, 4, 5, 6)
- 3, 4, 5, 6 define the ROI



FIG. 18G

Step 7: Decode ROIs: Update feature vectors



- Histogram component of Fv is updated while traversing barcode
- Estimate of Black-to-White transition is calculated
- Estimate of narrow & wide elements are calculated

FIG. 18H

Step 8: Decode ROIs: Look for zero-crossings

- Barcode image is median filtered in a direction perpendicular to barcode orientation
- Second derivative zero-crossings define edge transitions
- Zero-crossing data used only for detecting the edge transitions
- B/W transition estimates put upper and lower bounds to bar and space gray levels

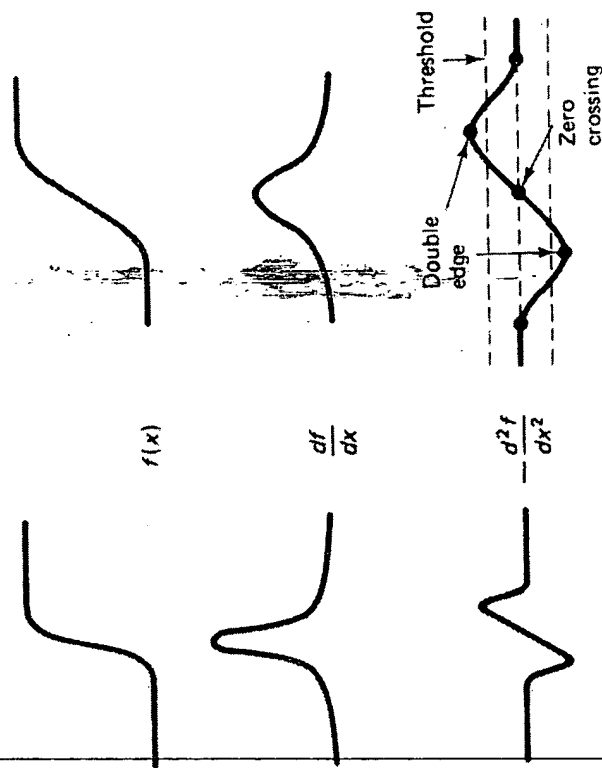
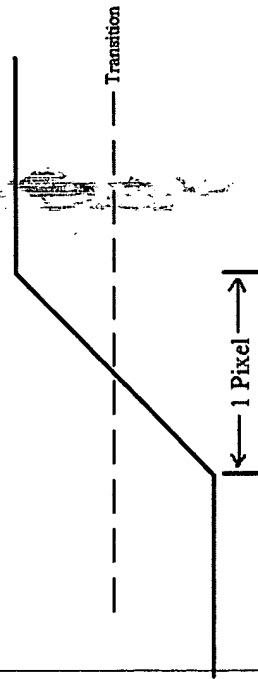


FIG. 18.I

Step 9: Decode ROIs: Create bar and space pattern



- Edge transition is modeled as a ramp
- Edge transition is assumed to be 1-pixel wide
- Edge transition location is determined at the sub-pixel level
- Bar and space counts are gathered using edge transition data

Fig. 18J

Step 10: Decode ROIs: Decode bar and space pattern

- Bar and space data framed with “borders”
- Bar and space data decoded using existing Metrologic laser-scanner algorithms

FIG. 18K

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Summary of Manual mode

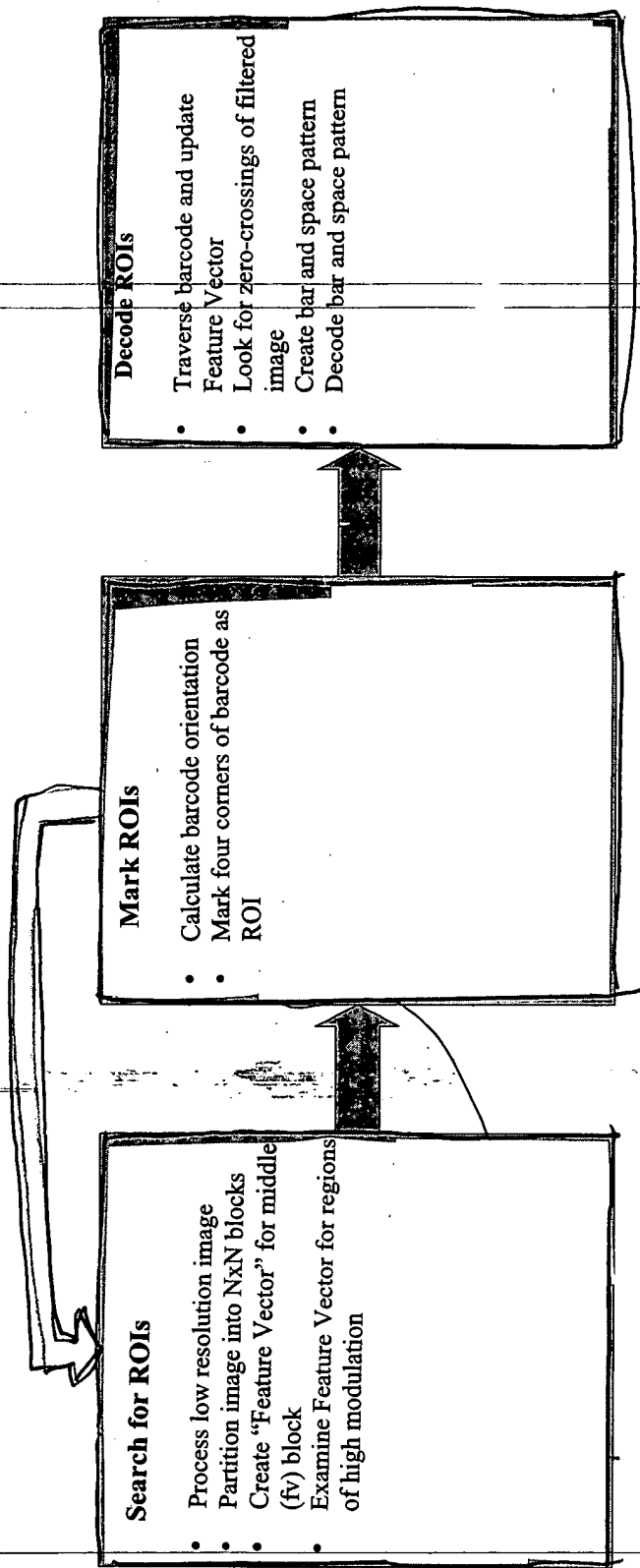


FIG. 19A

Manual mode flow-chart

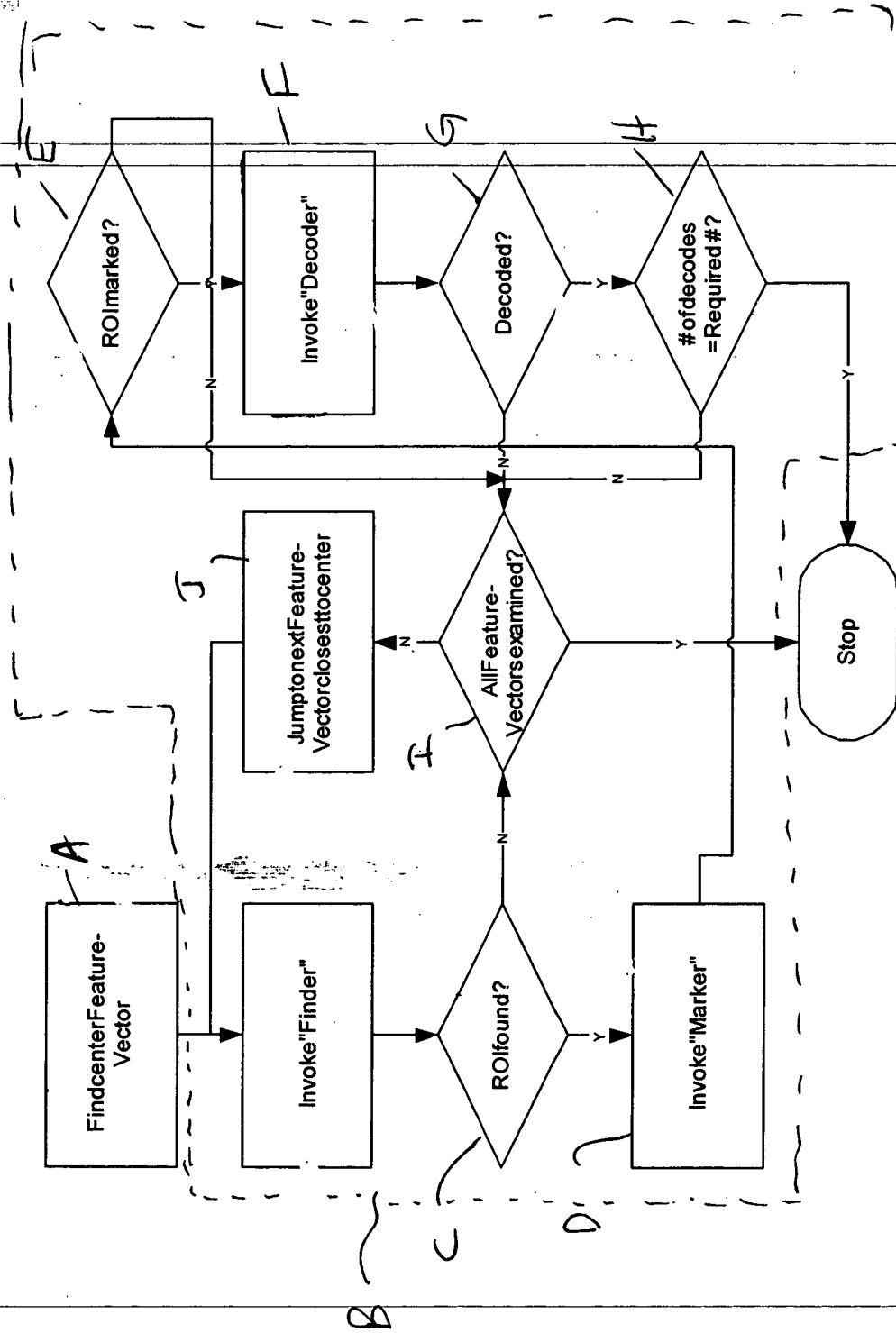
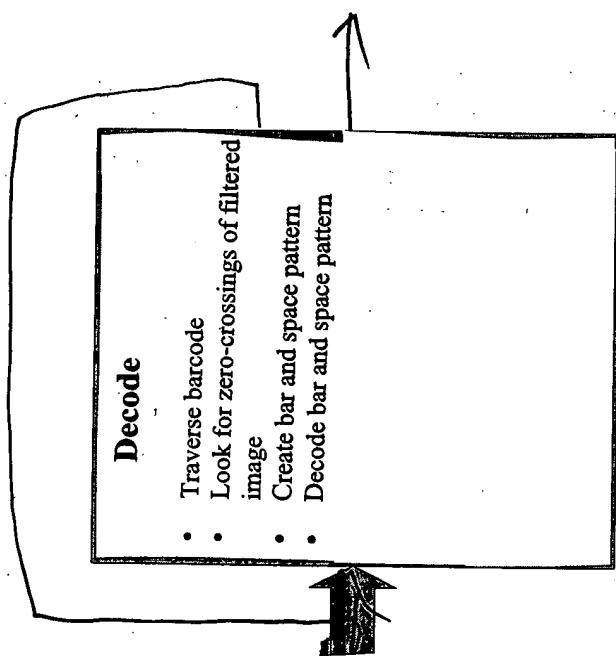


FIG. 19B

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Summary of No Finder mode



- No Finder
- No Marker

FIG. 20A

NoFinder mode flow-chart

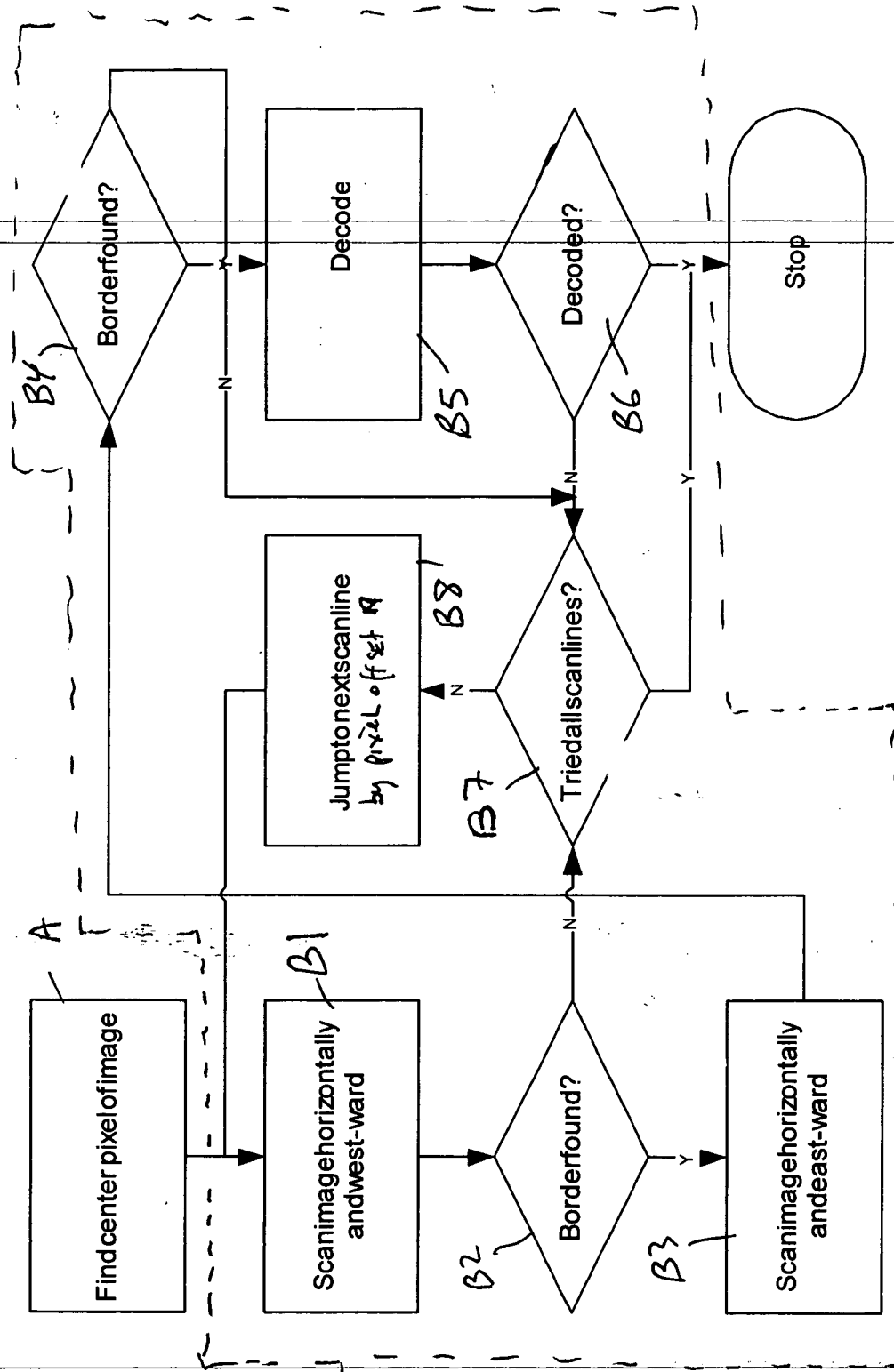
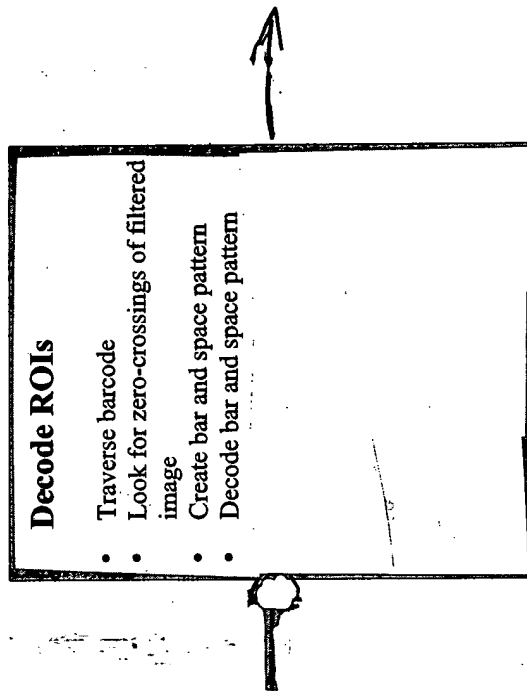


FIG. 20A

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Summary of Omniscan mode

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6 angles (50 pixel spacing)

- 0°
- 30°
- 60°
- 90°
- 120°
- 150°

- wide area illumination
- assume Barcode is at center!
- 1" tall
- 1" wide (aspect ratio = 1)
- 1D

- No Fin den module
- No Marker module
- No T14 6/ten module

FIG. 21A

OmniScan mode flow-chart

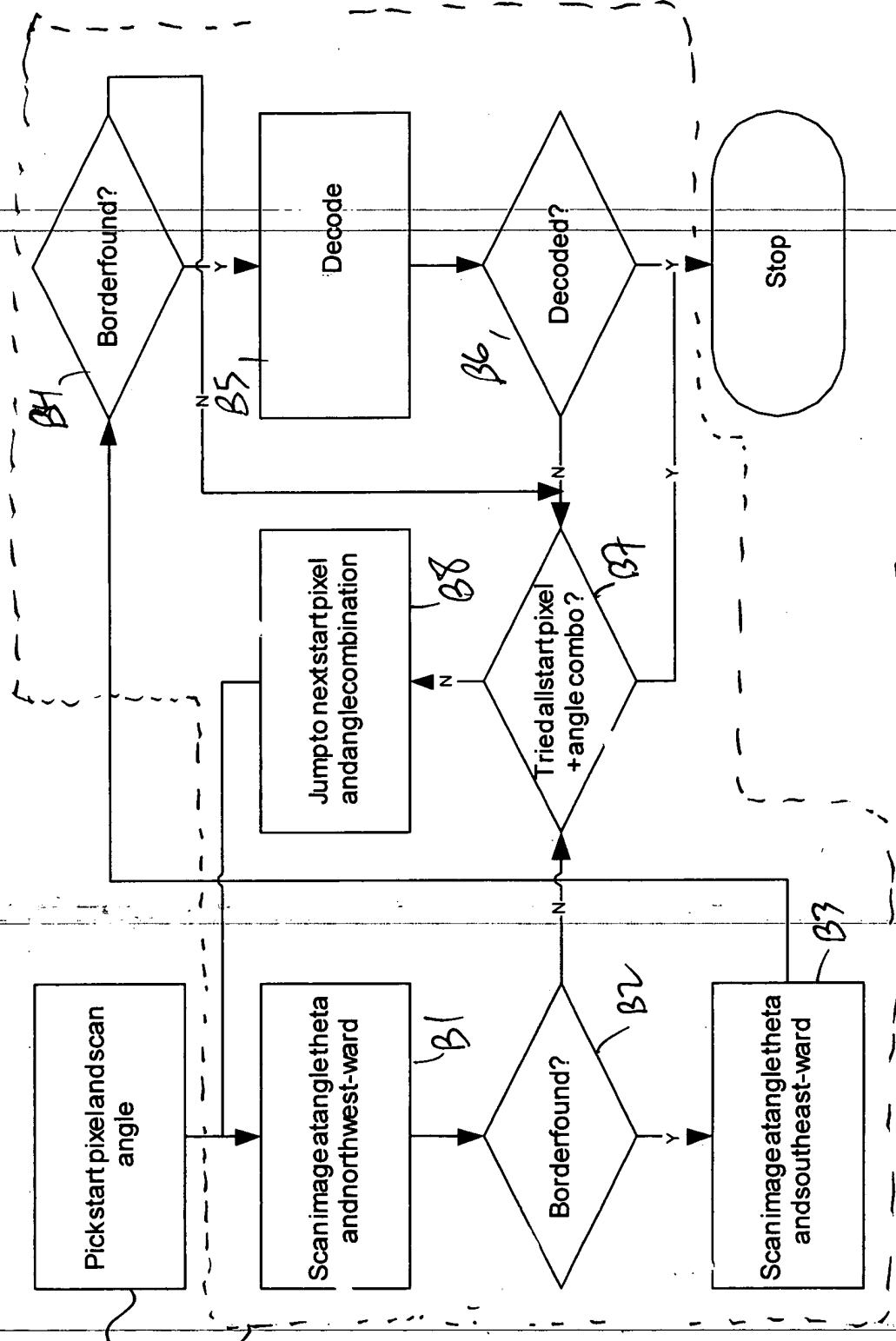
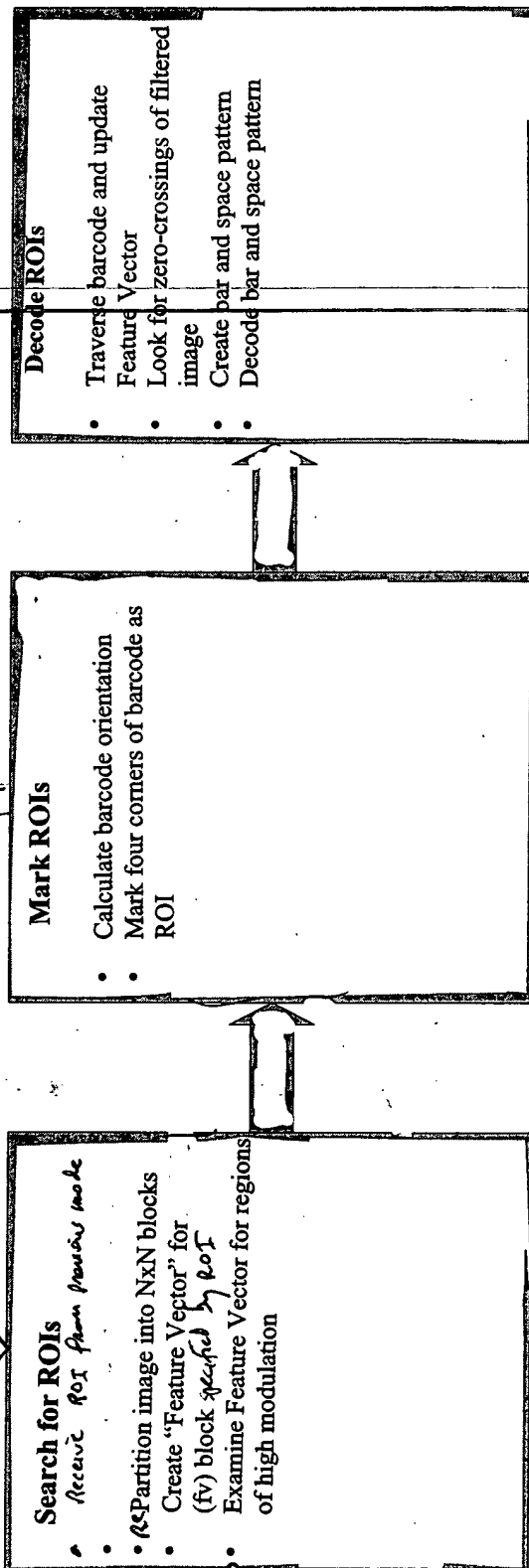


FIG. 21B

Summary of ROI-SPECIFIC mode



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FIG. 22-A

ROI-specific mode flow-chart

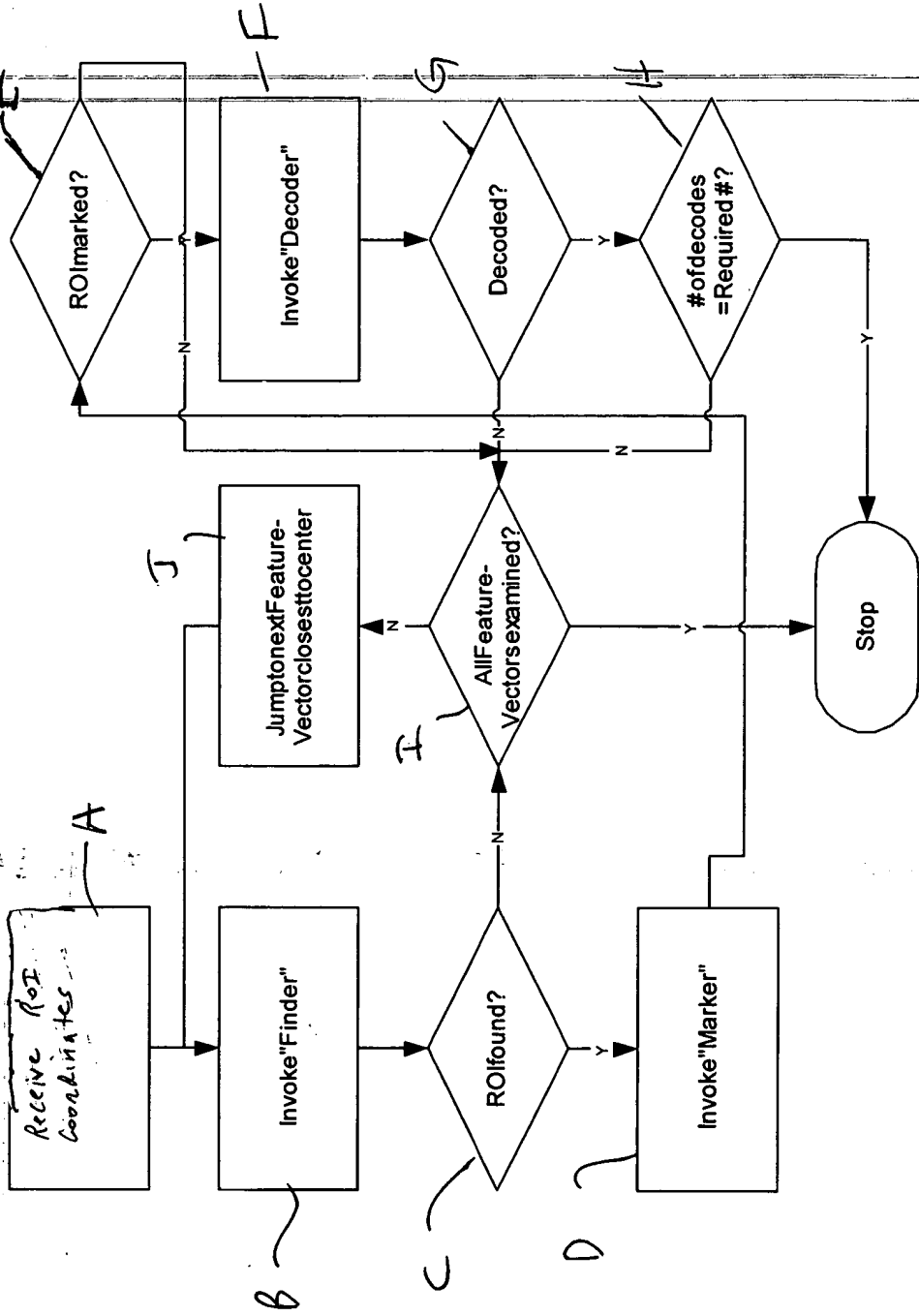


FIG. 22B

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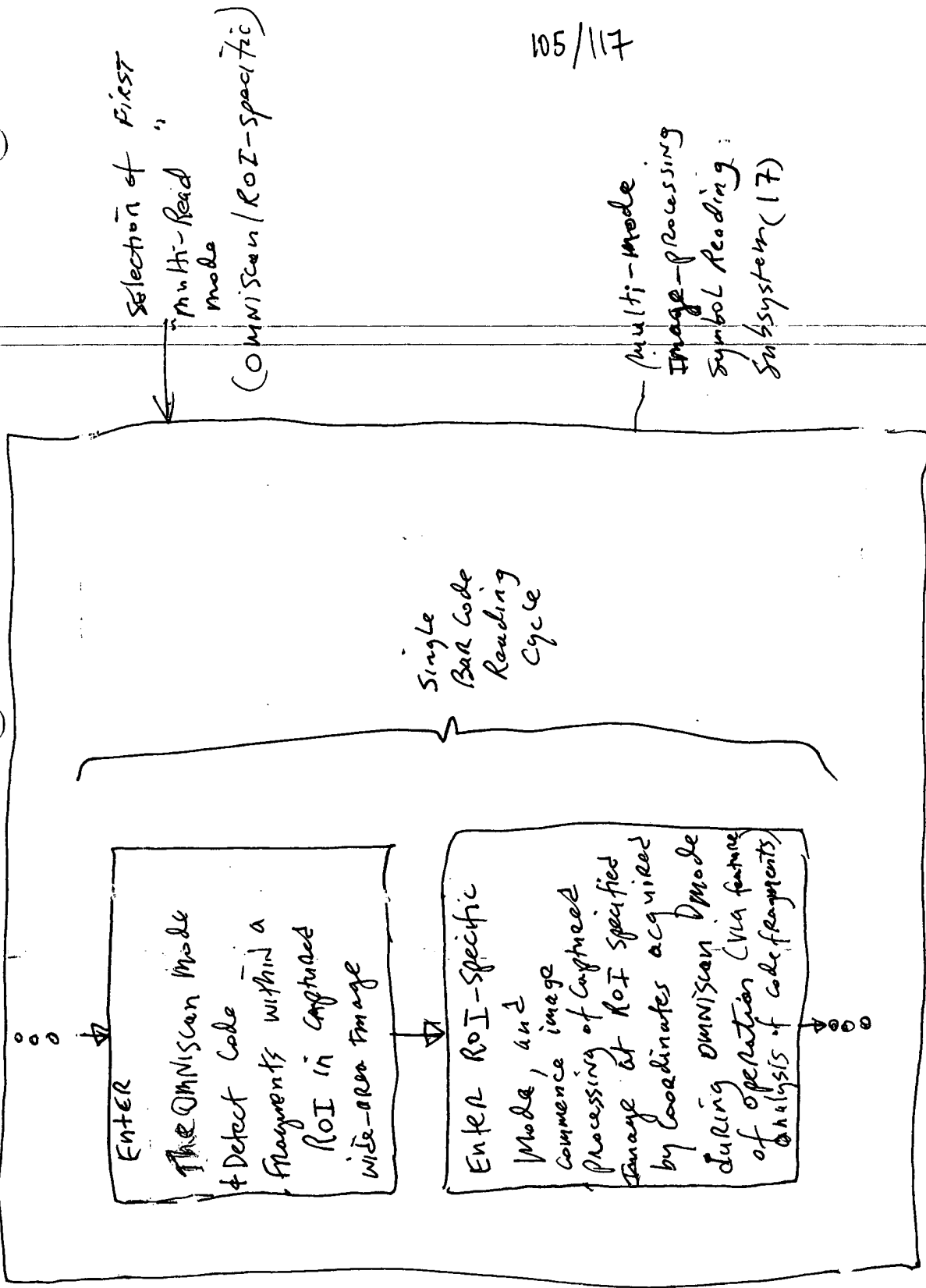
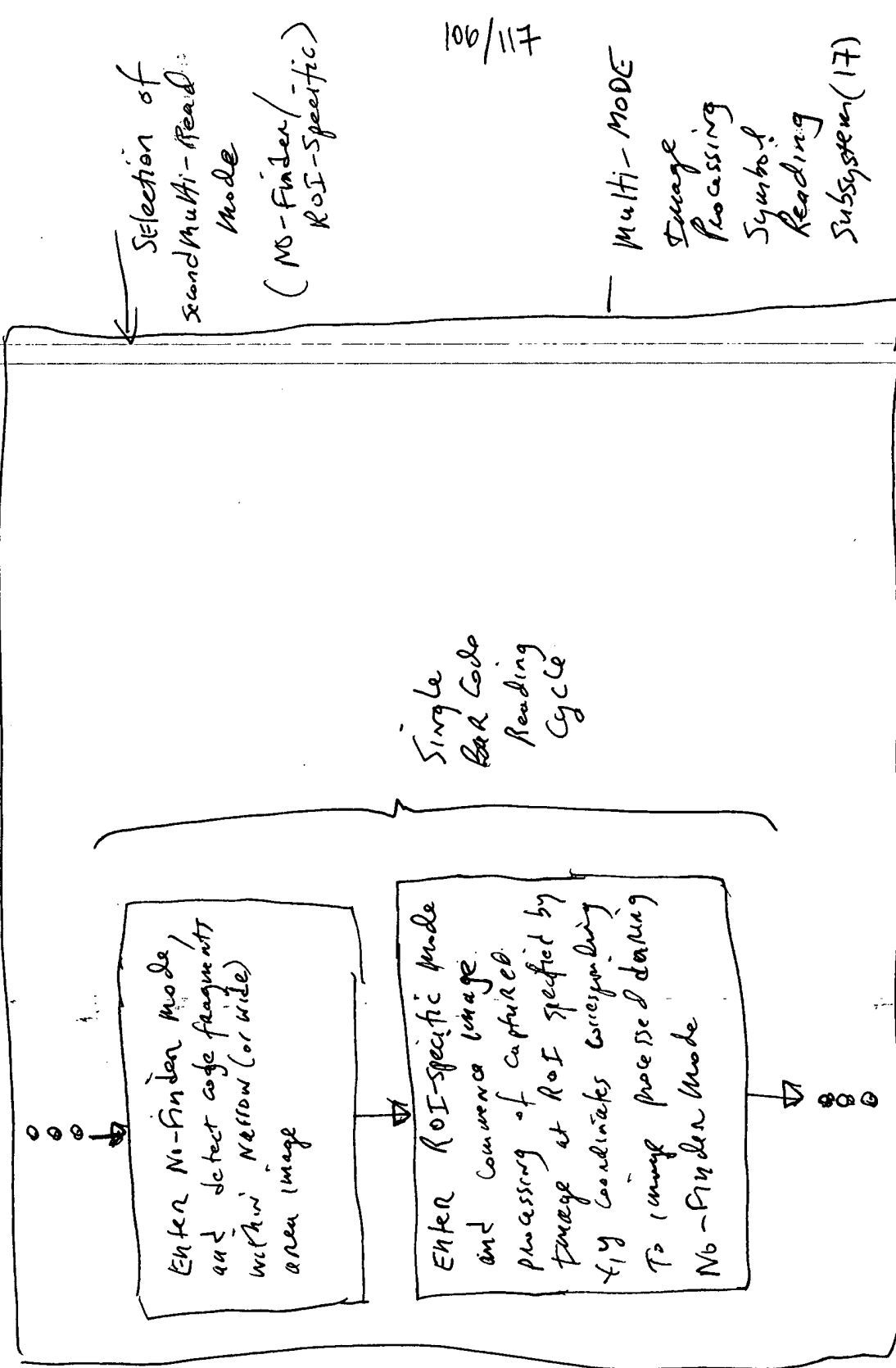


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FIG. 24

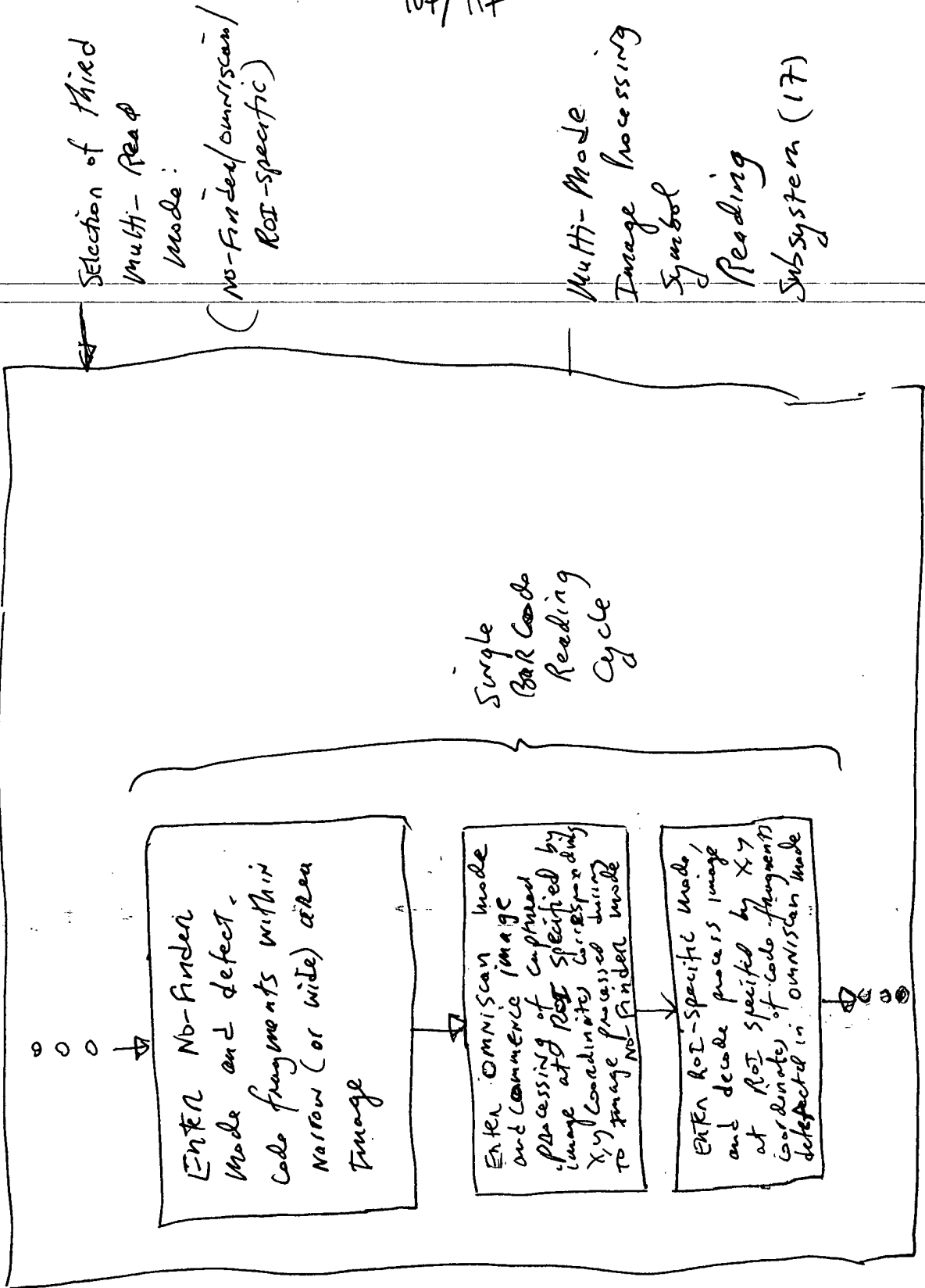


FIG. 25

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PROGRAMMABLE MODES OF BAR CODE SYMBOL READING OPERATION
WITHIN THE HAND-SUPPORTABLE DIGITAL IMAGING-BASED BAR CODE
SYMBOL READER OF THE PRESENT INVENTION

Programmed Mode of System Operation No. 1: Manually-Triggered Single-Attempt 1D Single-Read Mode Employing the No-Finder Mode of Operation

Programmed Mode Of System Operation No. 2: Manually-Triggered Multiple-Attempt 1D Single-Read Mode Employing the No-Finder Mode of Operation

Programmed Mode Of System Operation No. 3: Manually-Triggered Single-Attempt 1D/2D Single-Read Mode Employing the No-Finder And The Automatic Or Manual Modes of Operation

Programmed Mode of System Operation No. 4: Manually-Triggered Multiple-Attempt 1D/2D Single-Read Mode Employing the No-Finder And The Automatic Or Manual Modes of Operation

Programmed Mode of System Operation No. 5: Manually-Triggered Multiple-Attempt 1D/2D Multiple-Read Mode Employing the No-Finder And The Automatic Or Manual Modes of Operation

Programmed Mode of System Operation No. 6: Automatically-Triggered Single-Attempt 1D Single-Read Mode Employing The No-Finder Mode Of Operation

Programmed Mode of System Operation No. 7: Automatically-Triggered Multi-Attempt 1D Single-Read Mode Employing The No-Finder Mode Of Operation

Programmed Mode of System Operation No. 8: Automatically-Triggered Multi-Attempt 1D/2D Single-Read Mode Employing The No-Finder and Manual and/or Automatic Modes Of Operation

Programmed Mode of System Operation No. 9: Automatically-Triggered Multi-Attempt 1D/2D Multiple-Read Mode Employing The No-Finder and Manual and/or Automatic Modes Of Operation

Programmable Mode of System Operation No. 10: Automatically-Triggered Multiple-Attempt 1D/2D Single-Read Mode Employing The Manual, Automatic or Omniscan Modes Of Operation

Programmed Mode of System Operation No. 11: Semi-Automatic-Triggered Single-Attempt 1D/2D Single-Read Mode Employing The No-Finder And The Automatic Or Manual Modes Of Operation

FIG. 26A

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Programmable Mode of System Operation No. 12: Semi-Automatic-Triggered Multiple-Attempt 1D/2D Single-Read Mode Employing The No-Finder And The Automatic Or Manual Modes Of Operation

Semi-Automatic-Triggered Multiple-Attempt 1D/2D Multiple-Read Mode Employing The No-Finder And The Automatic Or Manual Modes Of Decoder Operation; Programmable Mode of Operation No. 13

Programmable Mode of Operation No. 14: Semi-Automatic-Triggered Multiple-Attempt 1D/2D Multiple-Read Mode Employing The No-Finder And The Omniscan Modes Of Operation

Programmable Mode of Operation No. 15: Continuously-Automatically-Triggered Multiple-Attempt 1D/2D Multiple-Read Mode Employing The Automatic, Manual Or Omniscan Modes Of Operation

Programmable Mode of System Operation No. 16: Diagnostic Mode Of Imaging-Based Bar Code Reader Operation

Programmable Mode of System Operation No. 17: Live Video Mode Of Imaging-Based Bar Code Reader Operation

FIG. 26B

Imaging-Based bar code digital

Reading System with Extended

Multi-mode Illumination Subsystem

• Four modes of Illumination:

- (1) Wide-Area for "near" object (0 mm - 100 mm)
- (2) Wide-Area for "far" object (100 mm - 200 mm)
- (3) Narrow-Area for near object (0 mm - 100 mm)
- (4) Narrow-Area for far object (100 mm - 200 mm)

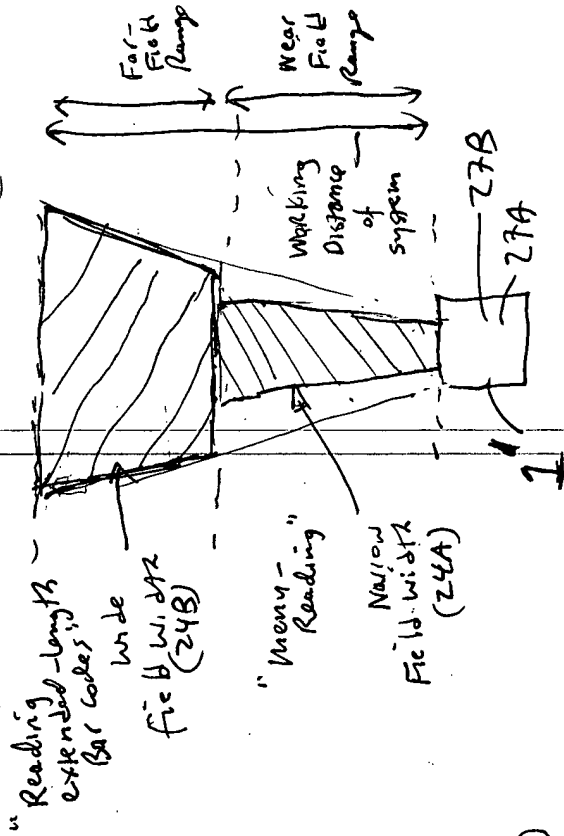


FIG. 27B

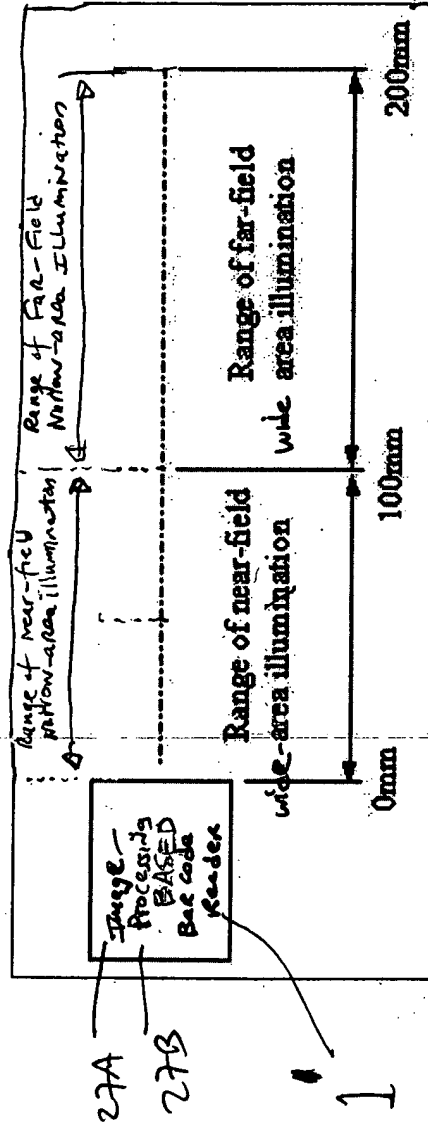


FIG. 27A

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LED Arrangements For NEAR-FIELD and FAR-FIELD WIDE AREA ILLUMINATION ARRAYS and NARROW-AREA Illumination Arrays

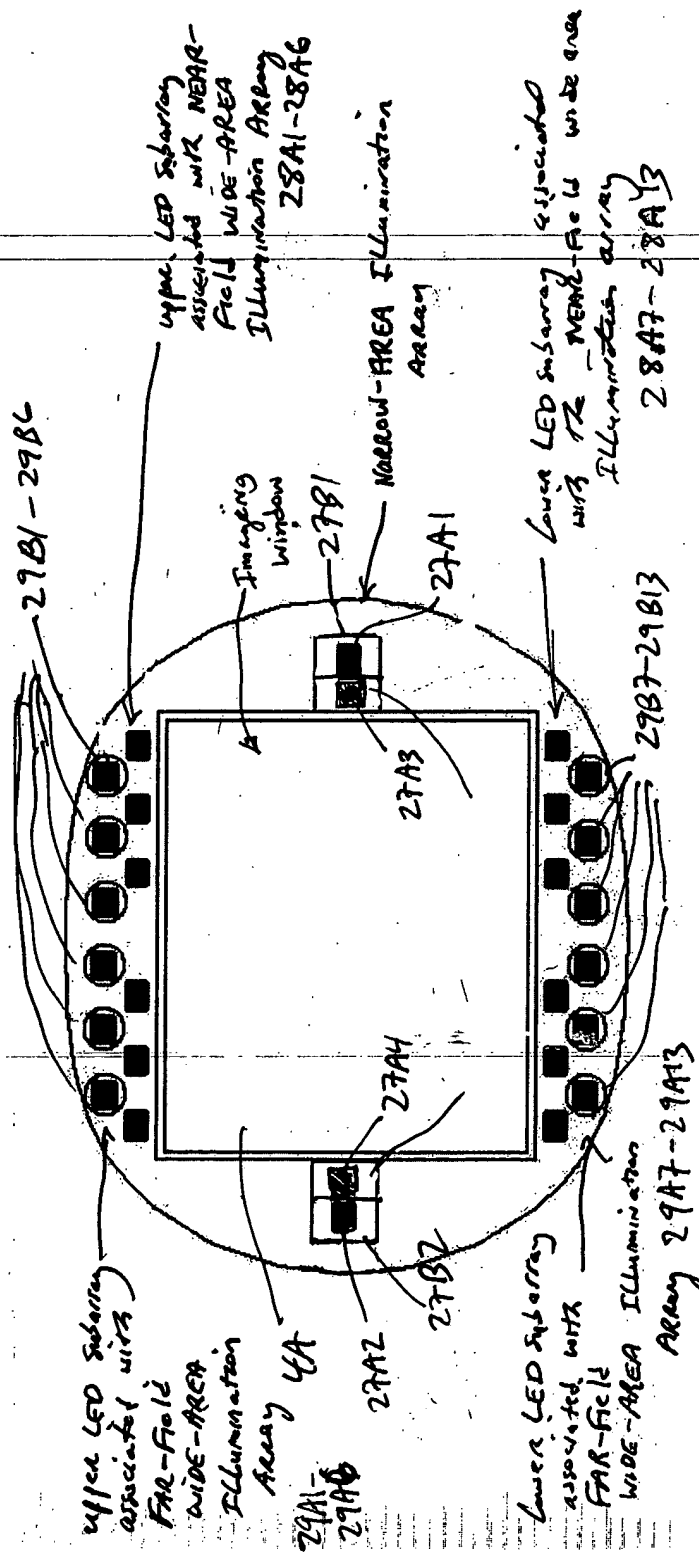


FIG. 28

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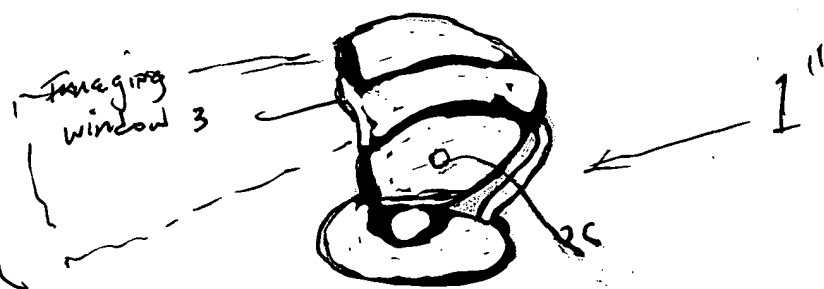
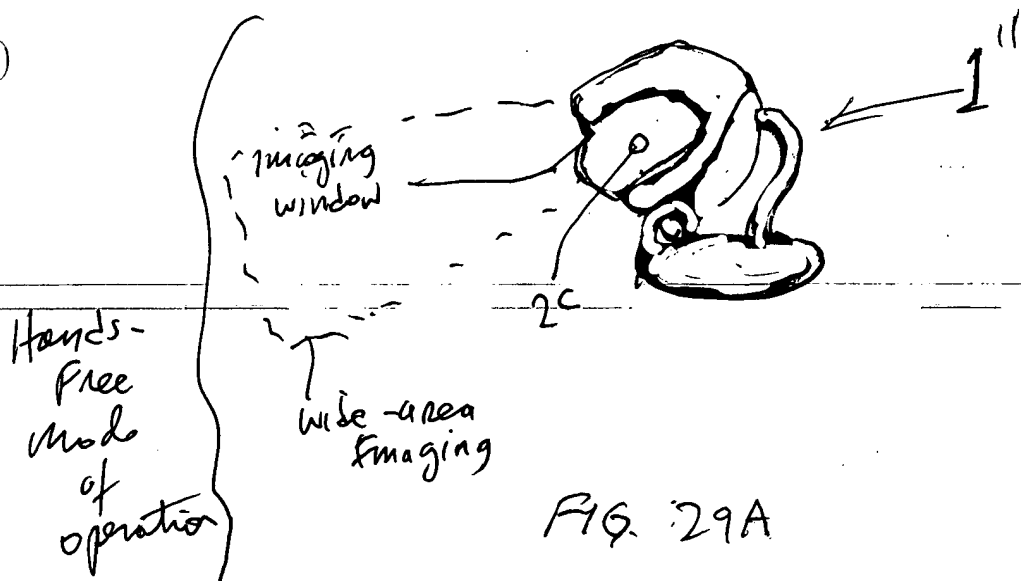
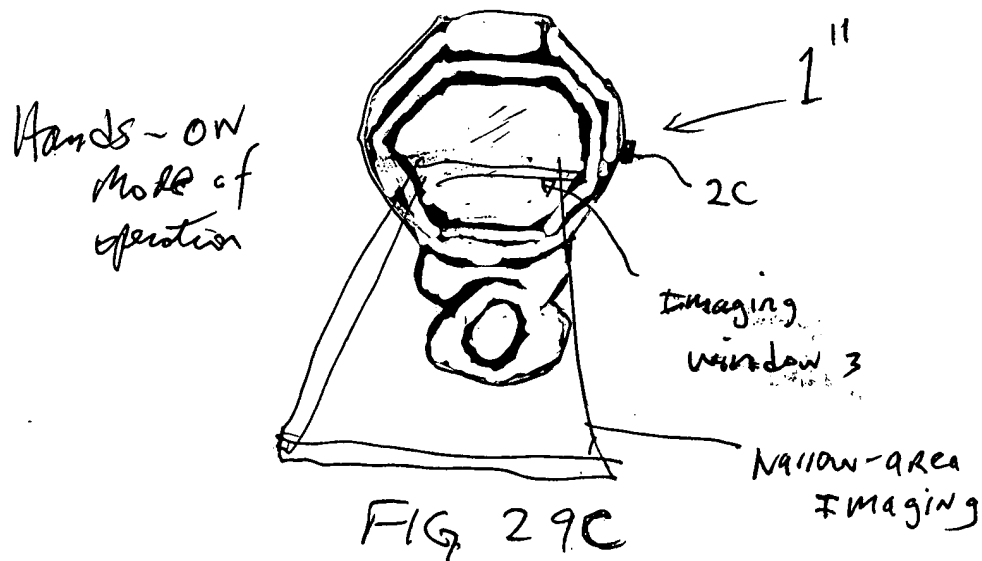


FIG. 29B



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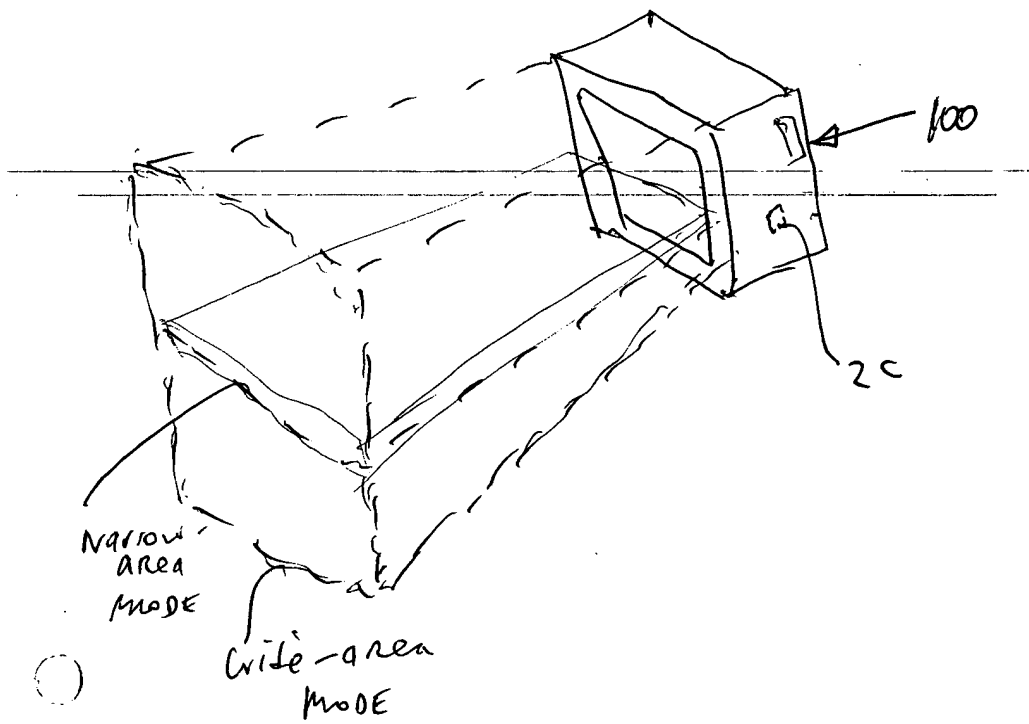
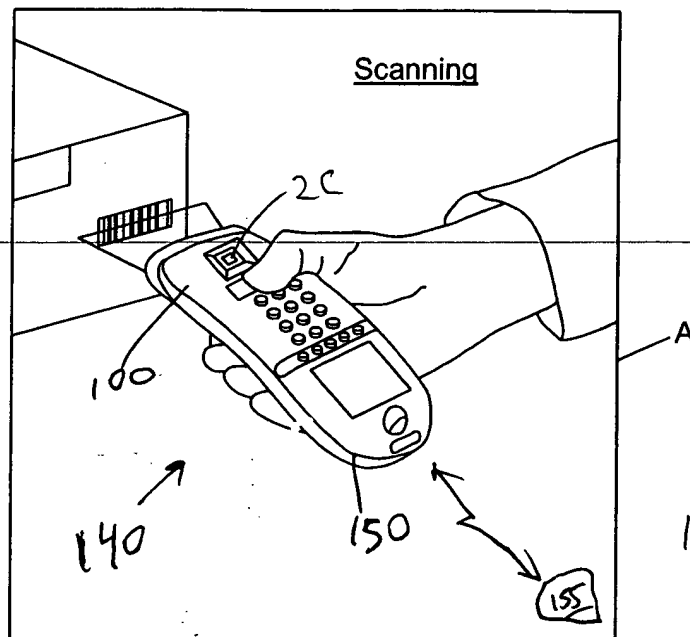


FIG. 30

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Hand 25-on
mode of
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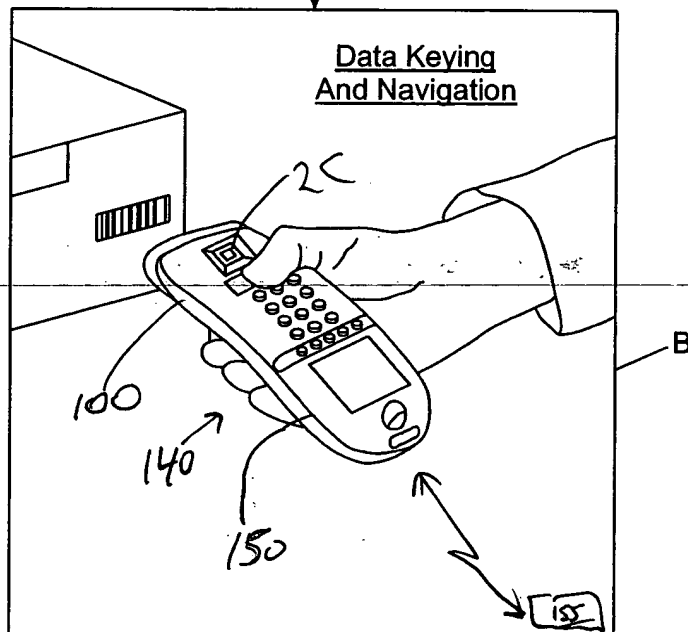


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Hands-on Mode
of
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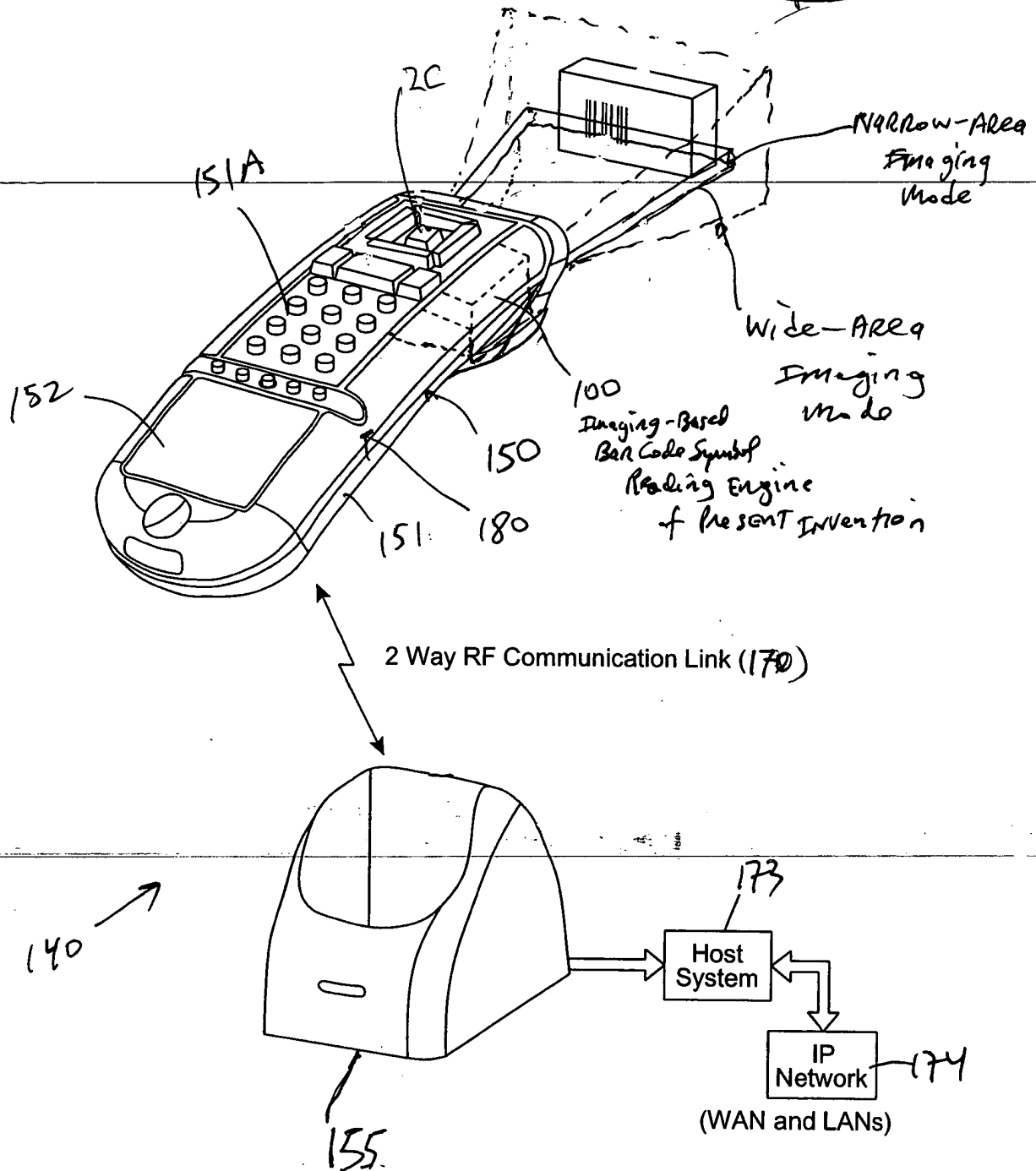


FIG. 32

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Hands-Free Mode
of operation

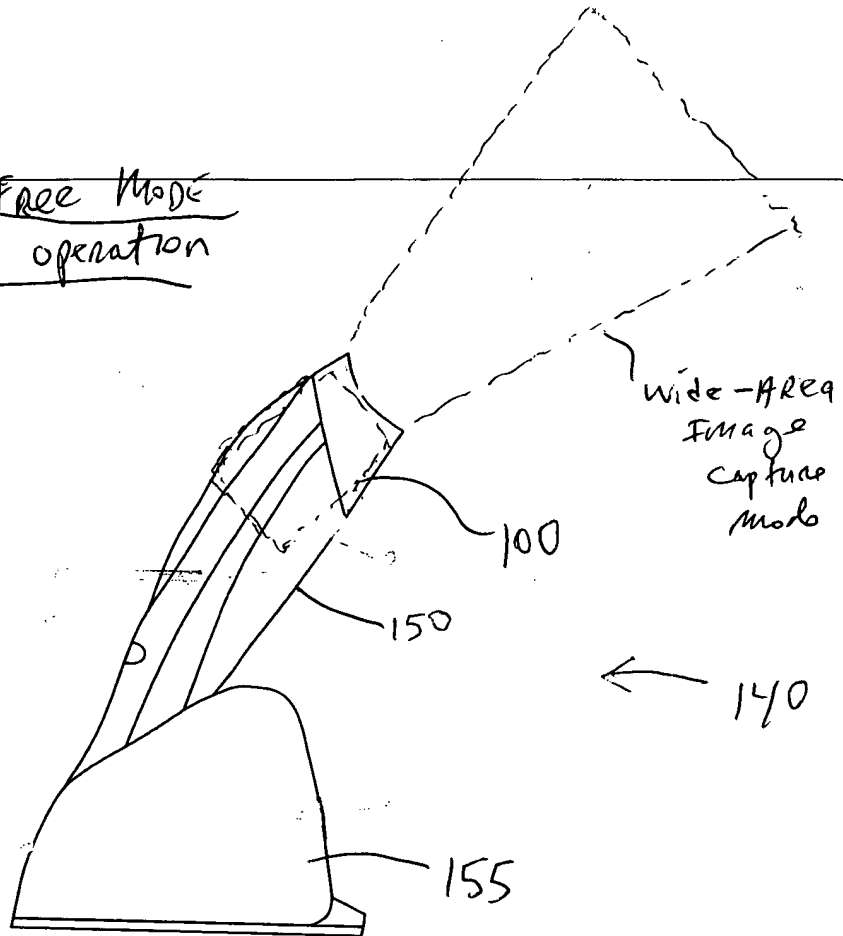


FIG. 33

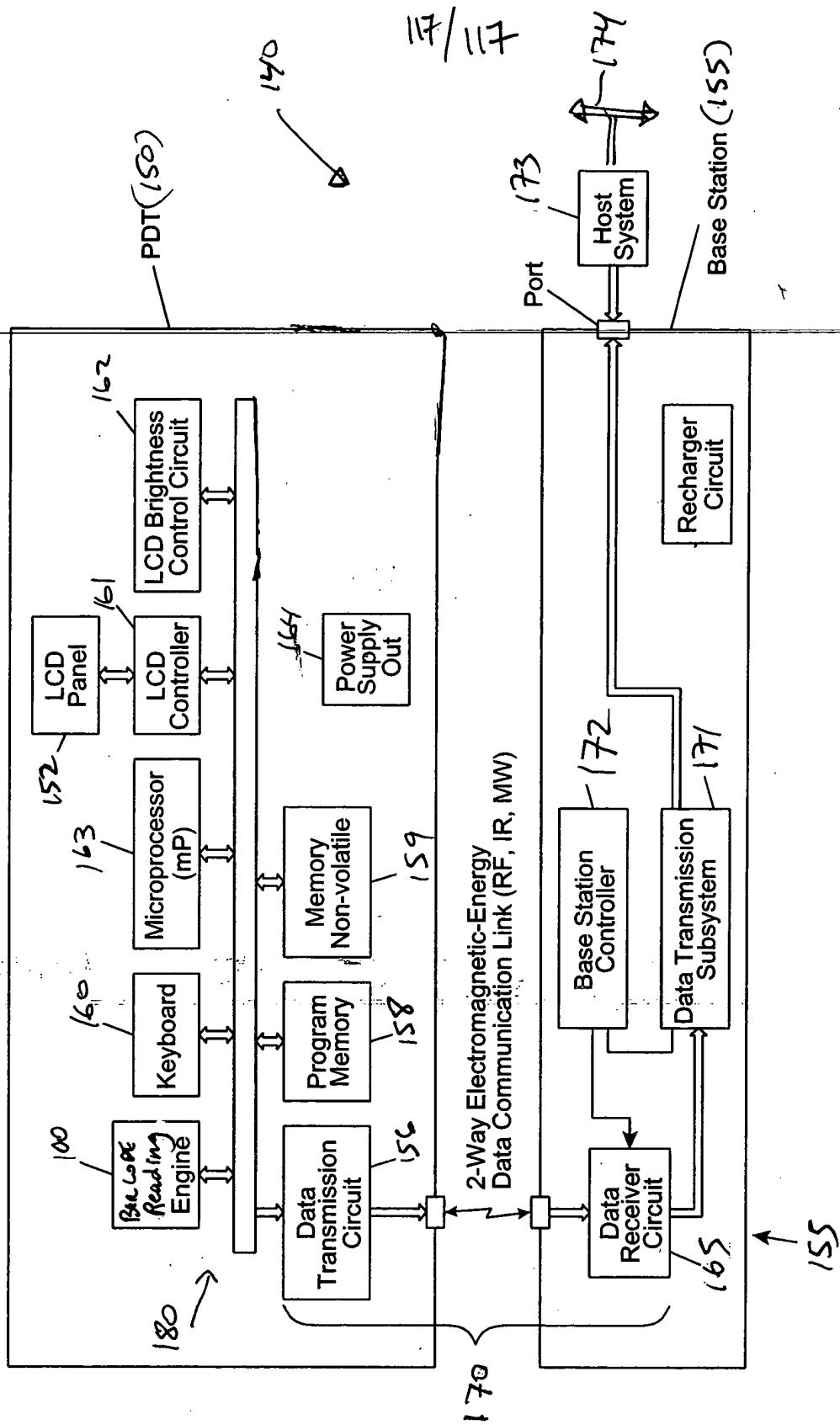


FIG 33